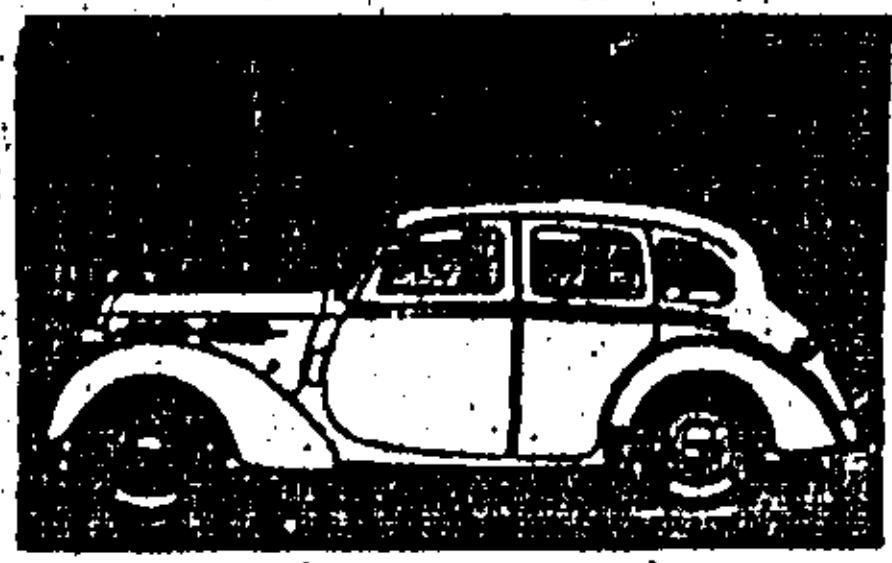


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PRIME MINISTER'S HINT: 'HALT HITLER' PLANS

LONDON, Mar. 28.

IN THE HOUSE of Commons to-day the Prime Minister indicated that Britain's plan for a Four-Power "Halt Hitler" front includes concrete measures against future aggression in Europe.

He did not say that a military alliance had been proposed, but he declared that Britain's proposals go beyond mere consultation in the event of aggression.

He refused to reveal details of consultations which are still in progress.

Replying to the Labour Member, Mr. Hugh Dalton, who asked the Premier to explain the proposed consultation agreement, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What the Government has in mind goes a good deal further than consultation."

Mr. Dalton queried whether Britain would join other countries in aiding Poland in the event of aggression.

To this, Mr. Chamberlain declined to answer but he said, "The Government has made it perfectly clear, to other governments with which they are prepared to consult, exactly what the Government is prepared to do."

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, told questions that trade negotiations with Germany have been suspended.—United Press.

ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS

LONDON, Mar. 28.
Replying to Mr. Harry Greenwood in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Chamberlain stated:

"The Government is actively continuing consultations with other governments on the issues arising from recent events. During the progress of these consultations, the House will appreciate that it is essential that confidential character be respected."

"The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned."

Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether in order to remove apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "It will be understood from what I have previously said, what the Government has in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I do not think I should like to go into further detail at the moment."

In reply to further questions, the Premier said that the Government had made it perfectly clear to the other governments what Britain was prepared to do. There would be a discussion on the matter at the earliest possible moment in the House.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "The Government fully realises the urgency of this matter and the desirability of coming to a conclusion at the earliest possible moment, but there is more (Continued on Page 4.)"

Leaders
Free To
Paris

with their departure from Madrid yesterday the Republican Government has completed the circuit of their wanderings.

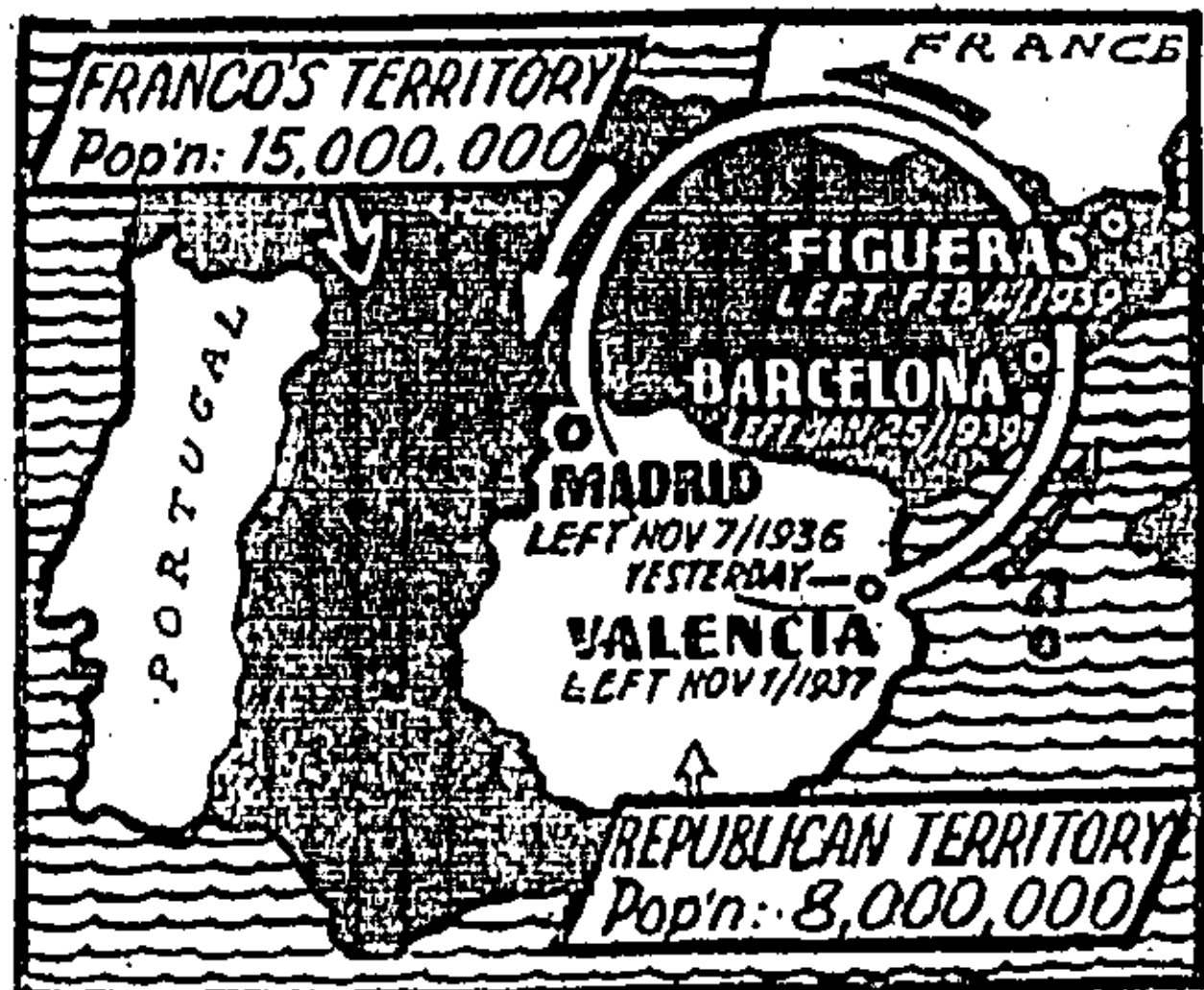
Republican Leaders Flee To France

PARIS, Mar. 28.

MEMBERS OF the Council of the Spanish National Defence have arrived in Valencia, according to a message received here.

They are conferring under the chairmanship of General Miaja.

With Nationalist aircraft ceaselessly flying over Madrid the first act of its new masters was to order the staffs of theatres, cinemas and other places of entertainment to stay at their posts, in order that the life of the city should continue normally.



Big Subsidy Announced For Tramp Shipping

ANNOUNCING IN the House of Commons an annual subsidy of £2,750,000 for tramp shipping, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade to-day said that the Government also proposed to ask Parliament for £10,000,000 for loans to shipowners over a period of two years for the purpose of building tramps and cargo liners.

SOUTH AFRICA'S £6,000,000 PLAN

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 28.
THE Union Government is hurriedly strengthening South Africa's defences at a cost of £6,000,000, spread over the next three years.

Cape Town is to be made "battleship proof" by mounting 15-inch guns, while Port Elizabeth and East London—important ports on the Union's 4,000-mile coastline—are to be fortified.

In the air South Africa is building up a force of 750 warplanes, mostly purchased from Britain, and a thousand pilots are in training.

Germany Barters For Food

Buenos Aires, Mar. 28.
The Government announces that in accordance with the barter agreement with Germany it is shipping 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool in payment of railway material already ordered from the Reich.—Reuter Special.

As a further exceptional measure to increase tonnage, the Government would ask Parliament for £2,000,000 to purchase suitable vessels on the United Kingdom register which, although still capable of service, would otherwise be sold abroad, or broken up.

The latter vessels would only be brought out in an emergency but would be maintained in condition.

Mr. Oliver Stanley also announced a grant not exceeding £500,000 annually for five years to be available to encourage the building of tramps and cargo liners.—Reuter.

Neutrality Legislation New Bill Goes To Senate

Washington, Mar. 28.
SENATORS NYE, Bone, Bennet and Clark to-day jointly introduced the amendment to the Neutrality Law.

The amendment would make the cash and carry features mandatory instead of discretionary and extend them to include any materials instead of only munitions.

It would also empower either Congress by resolution or the President by proclamation to announce the existence of a state of war abroad, instead of limiting such action only to a presidential proclamation.

The amendment has been referred to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.—United Press.

Motorist Lucky In Crash

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.
Herman R. Bork, 43, hopes to keep well from now on while motoring. Stricken ill while driving his automobile, Bork lost control of his car. It struck an oncoming machine, then tumbled into two parked cars. Bork was injured only slightly.

During the afternoon the first food lorries of General Franco's social help organisation entered the city, and chocolate, tinned food and fruit were distributed among the welcoming populace.

The Nationalists had earlier occupied a section of University City held by the Republicans.

A Berlin report says that Herr Hitler has telegraphed to General Franco offering him heartfelt congratulations on "the final defeat of nation-destroying Bolshevism."

Meanwhile in Rome, Signor Mussolini appeared on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia and addressed a crowd of 10,000, saying:

"General Franco's infantry—and the Italian legionaries have entered Madrid, and the Spanish war can thus be considered finished. It finished with the collapse of Bolshevism, and so will the enemies of Italy and of Fascism."—Reuter.

U.S. AND SPAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.
The belief is being expressed here that the surrender of Madrid will possibly hasten United States recognition of General Franco's government.

No immediate action in this connection is expected.—United Press.

ACCORDING TO PLAN

Madrid, Mar. 28.
Nationalist columns started to make their entry into Madrid from the University quarter at 1.10 p.m. to-day.

Everything, it is said, is being carried out with precision and according to plan.
(Continued on Page 4.)

BIG BATTLE IN KIANGSI

Heavy Fighting Near Nanchang

SHANGHAI, Mar. 28.
HEAVY FIGHTING and large-scale engagements between the Japanese and Chinese troops are going on in the immediate vicinity of Nanchang, north-west of the city.

According to Japanese reports received here to-day, the capture of Wuhan by the Japanese is hourly expected.

After the capture on Monday of Nanchang, it is believed that the Hunan capital, Changsha, is the next main objective of the Japanese forces. Chinese reports admit that strong Japanese forces are approaching Nanchang, but deny that the Kiangsi capital has fallen.

Chinese press reports state that Mr. Wang Ching-wei has left Hanoi by air for Siam.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH SHIP SEIZED

TANGIERS, Mar. 28.—An unknown warship is reported to have seized a French vessel near Cape San Antonio.—Reuter.

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EUROPE'S WAR FEVER

Slovaks Take Precautions



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Grindelwald, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Juliana and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Juliana is expecting a second child in August.

BRATISLAVA,
Mar. 28.

SLOVAKIA IS preparing for both peace and war.

While the Foreign Ministry directs peace negotiations by sending a Slovak delegation to Budapest in an effort to obtain peaceful withdrawal of Hungarian troops from the part of East Slovakia occupied on March 23, the National Defence Ministry has begun the task of assigning five classes of reserve officers and military, aviation and anti-aircraft forces to posts they must fill should peace negotiations at Budapest break down.—United Press.

New Lithuanian Government

KAUNAS, Mar. 28.

A NEW LITHUANIAN Government has been formed under General Cernius.

Generally speaking, the new Government is semi-military, as there are three other Generals in the Cabinet, and it is a non-party Government.

The new Cabinet will present itself to Parliament this evening.—Reuter.

Germany's "Tradition"

"It is unnecessary to accuse Germany of perfidy."

"Not only the Nazi Government, but all previous German Governments, from the time Frederick the Great downwards, have made their position perfectly clear. To them an international assurance is no more than a statement of present intention. It has no absolute validity for the future."

Thus Lord Cecil, President of the International Peace Campaign, wrote (Continued on Page 12.)

LATEST

MINERALS SCANDAL

French Shipments To Germany

PARIS, Mar. 28.
A DEMAND that France should immediately cease big-scale shipments to Germany of minerals which are indispensable in the manufacture of armaments, was made in the morning paper here "Le Ordre."

The newspaper charges that the shipments are "permanent treason." It reports that during 1938 France shipped to Germany an average of half a million tons of minerals monthly. "This ore from Lorraine crosses the Rhine with the possibility of coming back to us sooner or later in the form of shells and shrapnel," the paper says.

According to the "Ordre," France is furnishing Germany with bauxite, which is not only used in the composition of certain metals but is also used by the Germans as part of an explosive in certain bombs.

Since 1935, the paper asserts, shipments of bauxite averaged approximately 80,000 tons yearly.

"In the present stage of Hitler's expansion it can be said that these shipments are permanent treason, for there is nothing to prevent the Maginot line one day being crushed under attacks by planes built with French iron ore," the paper said.—United Press.

Italians Arrested

Cairo, Mar. 28.
It is understood that 20 Italian labourers employed in the Aswan quarries of the vitally important Nile Dam have been arrested on suspicion of espionage. They have been brought to Cairo under military guard.—United Press.

PEIPING, Mar. 28.—Three members of the Provisional Government of Peiping have gone to Nanking to participate in the United Council of the Provisional Reformed Government.—Reuter.

The Minister for Civil Aviation announced to-day that test flights would be carried out next June between Omsk, on the northern coast of Western Australia, and Mombasa, in Kenya Colony.

The route will be across the Indian Ocean via Coos Island, scene of the famous naval battle between H.M.A.S. Sydney and the German raider Emden.

A special long distance plane will be used for the flights. The crew will be under the command of Captain C. G. Taylor, co-pilot with the late Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith in the famous trans-Pacific flights in the "Southern Cross."

More French Sailors

British Navy To Abolish Flogging

PARIS, Mar. 28.
IT IS REPORTED that French naval effectives will be increased from 74,900 to 77,500, and recruiting for the extra men will begin immediately.

Another report states that M. Daladier will broadcast to the nation at 7.45 p.m. on March 28. It is expected to make some reference to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday last.

From London comes the report that the Admiralty has asked the Government to abolish flogging in the navy. Nowadays it is only retained in peace time for mutiny and allied offences. Flogging is not inflicted in the army and air force.—Reuter Special.

Ango-Indian Pact Rejected

New Delhi, Mar. 28.
The Indian Assembly, by 59 votes to 47, refused to-day to approve the Indo-British trade agreement. The Motion League abstained from voting.—Reuter.

TEXAS ORANGES

McAllen, Tex.
George Chapapas, orchardist, reported the 24-year-old orchard of Mrs. H. F. Ferry of McAllen produced 64,000 pounds of oranges during the past season. It is a one-acre orchard and Chapapas believes the production is a record.

Joan Forgot Her Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 28.
JOAN CRAWFORD, famed film star, failed to obtain a divorce from her husband, Francis Tom, another prominent film actor, which she filed last month, because she was not present to-day in court when the suit came up for hearing. The judge set April 18 as the new date for the hearing.—Reuter.

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

LONDON, Mar. 28.

SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion, and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"These men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let

every Irishman who thinks there ought to be an Irish Republic be a patriot. They are perfectly entitled to be."

"But these men are charged with committing a criminal offence. The eight accused were all found guilty and sentenced. One was sent to penal servitude for 17 years, another for 15 years, a third for 14 years, another for 12 years, two for 10 years, one for seven years, and the eighth to 18 months hard labour.—Reuter.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER'S ALLEGATION OF FALSE IMPRISONMENT

Jenkins v. Shelley And Another

MR. JUSTICE HALLETT recently gave judgment in the High Court of Judgment for the defendants in the action, in which Mr. Eric John Arnold Jenkins, an engine-room artificer, 4th class, with rating as a chief petty officer in the Royal Navy, of H.M.S. Curacao, claimed damages for alleged false imprisonment from Captain Richard Shelley, commanding the Curacao, and the Earl of Cork and Orrery, Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.

Mr. Jenkins complained that on January 22, 1938, Captain Shelley, with the knowledge of and by the authority of Lord Cork and Orrery, caused him, without lawful justification, to be assaulted and falsely imprisoned for a period of 36 days in the naval detention quarters at Portsmouth and that as a result he had been brought into public scandal and odium.

By their defence the defendants said that Captain Shelley, with the approval of Lord Cork and Orrery, sentenced Mr. Jenkins to 42 days' detention because he had been guilty of highly insubordinate conduct in disobeying the lawful command of his superior officer. The defendants denied that in so detaining the plaintiff they acted without lawful justification, and they relied on the provisions of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions.

It was stated that in January, 1938, shortly before 8.15 a.m., Chief Engine Room Artificer Mauder, the plaintiff's superior officer, entered the engine-room artificers' mess and gave the usual order to begin work, using some such words as "Come along, lads, turn to." A few minutes later Mauder found that every one had left the mess except a stoker and the plaintiff, Mauder said to the plaintiff, "Turn to, Jenkins." The plaintiff then got up and said in the presence of the stoker some such words as "Well, it has got to come at last, chief. I am not going to do any more work for the Admiralty. Will you tell the senior engineer when you go along?"

As a result of that occurrence a charge was made against the plaintiff, alleging that he "did wilfully disobey the lawful command of his superior officer when ordered to turn to at 8.15," and he was ordered by Captain Shelley to be kept in detention in the Portsmouth Naval Detention Quarters for 42 days, the punishment warrant being signed also by Lord Cork and Orrery as Commander-in-Chief. The plaintiff, in fact, served 36 days in detention, having received a remission of six days for good conduct.

The question, it was said, was whether in the circumstances the offence with which the plaintiff was charged was one which could be dealt with summarily or one which must be tried by Court-martial.

Section 17 of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, provides as follows: "Every person to this Act who shall wilfully disobey any lawful command of his superior officer, or shall use threatening or insulting language, or behave with contempt to his superior officer, shall be punished with dismissal with disgrace, from his Majesty's service, or suffer such other punishment as is hereinafter mentioned."

tain Shelley had the necessary jurisdiction in point of law to sentence the plaintiff summarily to detention; and, secondly, if he had not, what damages ought to be awarded.

His Lordship referred to section 50 (2) of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and said that none of the limitations there imposed on the general power of summary trial and punishment in respect of offences triable under the Act was applicable to the present case. It was conceded for the defendants that, since the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions were, to quote the Order enjoining their observance, "established by His Majesty's Order in Council," any further limitation of the jurisdiction of the first defendant which appeared from the Regulations could be relied on by the plaintiff, and did not merely expose the defendants to disciplinary action for disregarding the limitation.

His Lordship then reviewed the relevant provisions of the King's Regulations, and said that it resulted that, according to article 551, the plaintiff was not to be sentenced summarily to detention except for one of the offences specified in the article. The short point for decision was whether he was sentenced for "highly insubordinate conduct."

Counsel for the plaintiff pointed to the terms in which the plaintiff's offence was specified on both the charge sheet and the punishment warrant, and contended that it appeared from those terms that the plaintiff was neither charged with, nor sentenced for, "highly insubordinate conduct."

He (his Lordship) agreed with counsel for the plaintiff that, whether the plaintiff could have been so charged, adjudged, and sentenced, having regard to the admitted particulars of his conduct, was wholly immaterial if that was not in fact done. Counsel further contended that whether Captain Shelley considered the plaintiff to be guilty of highly insubordinate conduct was really irrelevant. He (his Lordship) agreed that that was so, but only if the defendants were precluded by the documents from establishing that that was the offence for which the plaintiff was in fact sentenced.

Article 552 provided that chief petty officers, who could not be dismissed (in category which included the plaintiff) might be sentenced summarily to detention only for certain offences, which included highly insubordinate conduct.

Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C., Mr. Peter Pain, and Mr. Anthony Cripps appeared for the plaintiff; the Attorney-General (Sir Donald Somervell, K.C.) and Mr. H. L. Parker for the defendants.

JUDGMENT

Mr. Justice Hallett, giving judgment, referred to the fact that Captain Shelley had been prepared to give evidence that, before arriving at the decision recorded on the punishment warrant, he had addressed his mind to the question whether the plaintiff was guilty of highly insubordinate conduct, and had come to the conclusion that he was. Sir Stafford Cripps had intimated that he was prepared to treat that evidence as having been given and not challenged, but he submitted that it could be of no possible relevance.

It was contended for the plaintiff that the first defendant had no jurisdiction, in the circumstances of the case, to sentence him summarily to detention on the punishment warrant, and that that detention therefore amounted to a false imprisonment in point of law, for which both defendants were responsible and were liable to pay damages. The only questions which it was necessary to consider were whether Cap-



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should follow as closely as possible the wording of the appropriate section of the Naval Discipline Act.

Accordingly it was contended for the defendants that conduct rendering the offender guilty of any one of the three offences created by section 17 might amount to highly insubordinate conduct, and that the question whether it had been of the gravity described by those words was one for determination by the High Court. Counsel for the plaintiff, on the other hand, contended that wilfully disobeying the lawful command of a superior officer could not amount to highly insubordinate conduct, wilful disobedience being something merely passive, and insubordination being something in the nature of active defiance. He (his Lordship) was unable to take that view. In his opinion wilful disobedience to a lawful command of a superior officer would commonly and correctly be described as a kind of insubordination, although not the only kind.

It was not disputed that the quality, as distinct from the nature, of the offence committed was a matter for consideration by, and only by, the persons entrusted with the duty of deciding how far the offender ought to suffer or escape the maxi-

mum punishment which could lawfully be imposed for that offence. Counsel for the plaintiff had further urged that the officer in command of the ship could not be the judge of his own jurisdiction, but he (his Lordship) thought that it was clearly for such an officer to decide whether the person charged with wilful disobedience was guilty of that offence, and, if so, whether the quality of his offence was, in all the circumstances, sufficiently serious to bring it within the description "highly insubordinate conduct."

It was strongly contended for the plaintiff that Table 1 under article 540 prevented the Court from regarding wilful disobedience as a kind of insubordination which might amount to "highly insubordinate conduct," because "wilful disobedience of orders" appeared as the first offence mentioned in section (d) of the Table, which section was headed "Disobedience," whereas "Insubordination and Disrespect" was the heading of section (j) in the Table. "Insubordination" being the second offence mentioned in that section. In his opinion that Table could neither create fresh offences nor subdivide existing ones except with regard to suggested normal maximum punishments. Nor could the Table affect by such creation or subdivision the permissible mode of trying offences. Article 540 was only intended to deal with limitation of punishments, and ought not to be utilised so as to have the effect of dealing with jurisdiction to try offences summarily.

He came to the conclusion that the plaintiff was not sentenced without jurisdiction, and that his claim accordingly failed.

It was usual for the trial Judge in such circumstances to indicate the damages which he would have awarded to a plaintiff in case an appeal against his decision should succeed. In the present case, however, he (his Lordship) was in no better position to assess the damages than a higher Court would be. He therefore contented himself with saying that no suggestion had been made that the defendants were guilty of anything more than a bona-fide misapprehension as to the extent of the powers conferred on Captain Shelley by provisions which, as sufficiently appeared from the judgment, were not very easy to construe. The Solicitors were Messrs. Gower, Pollard, Thorowgood and Tabor; the Treasury Solicitor.



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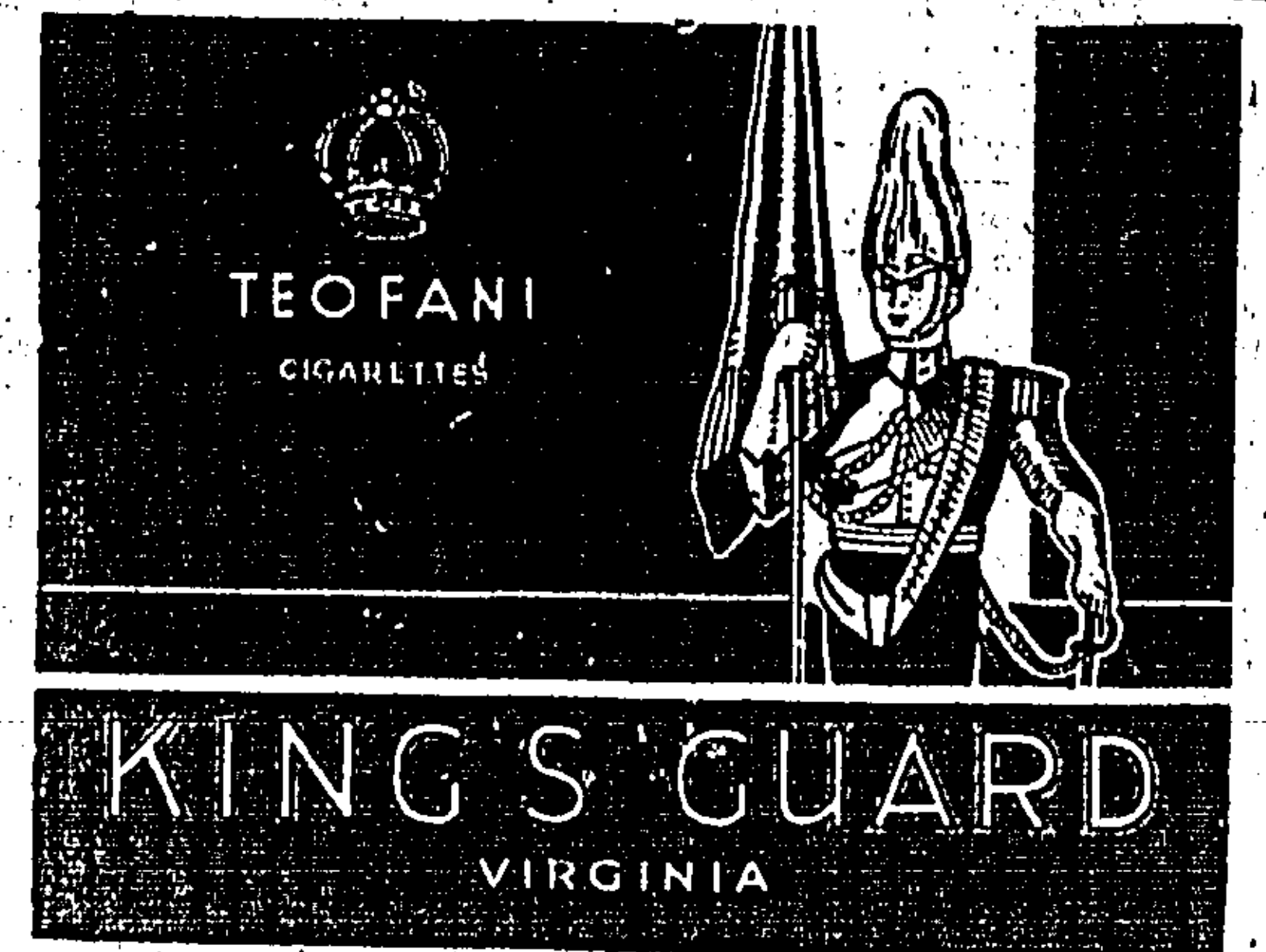
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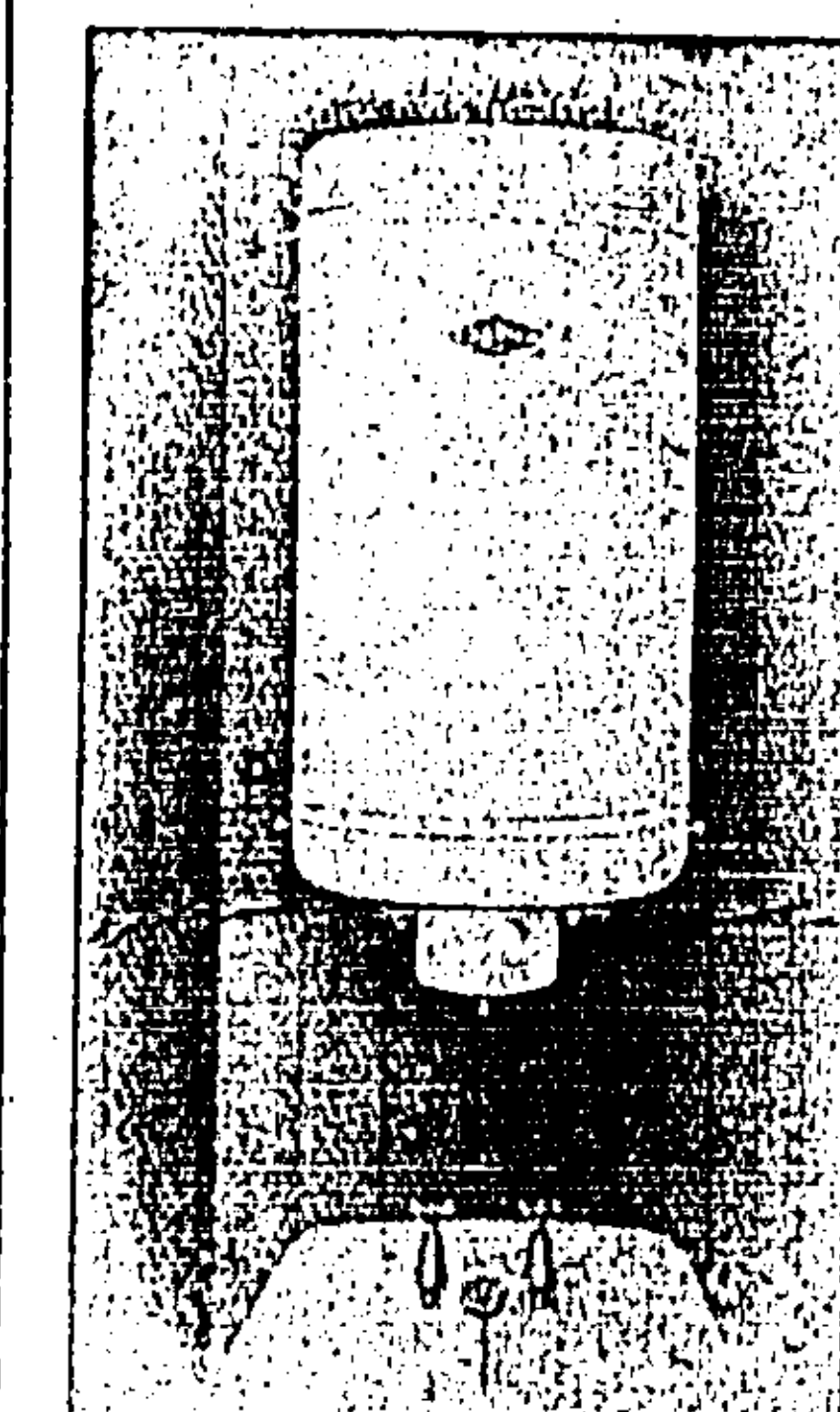


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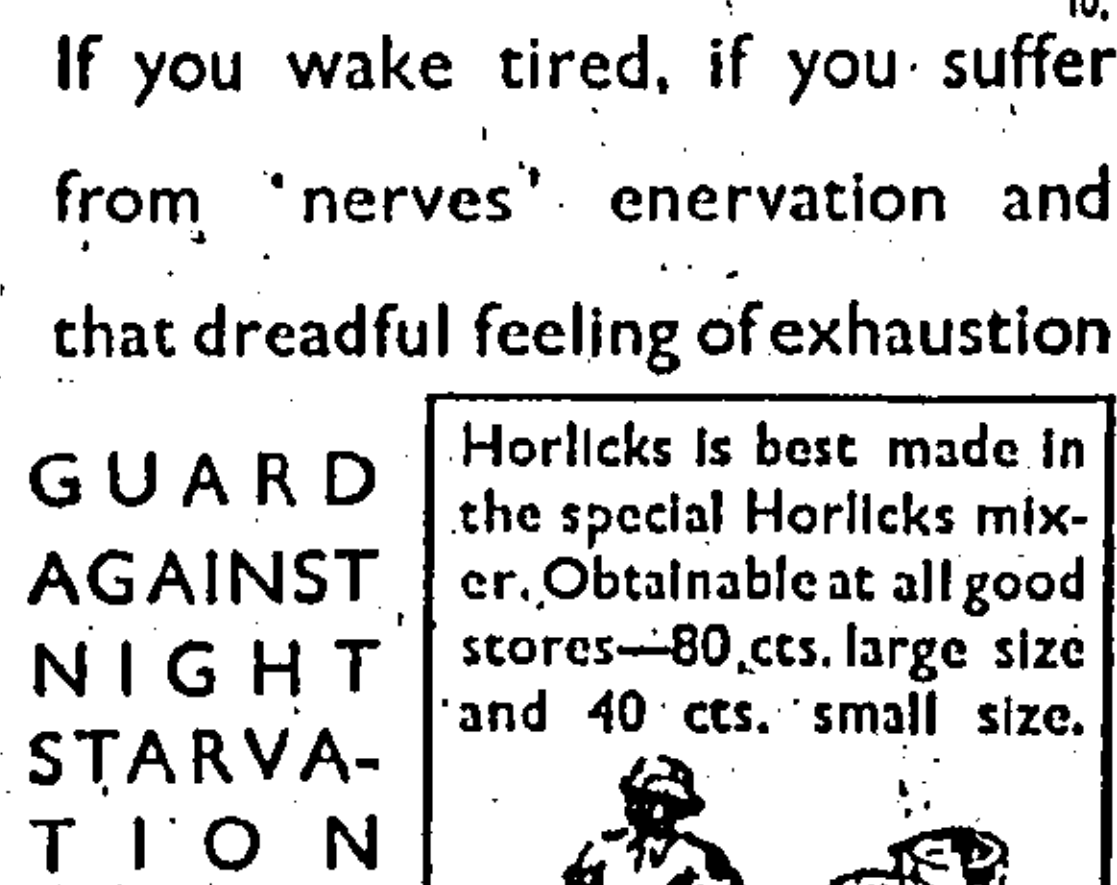
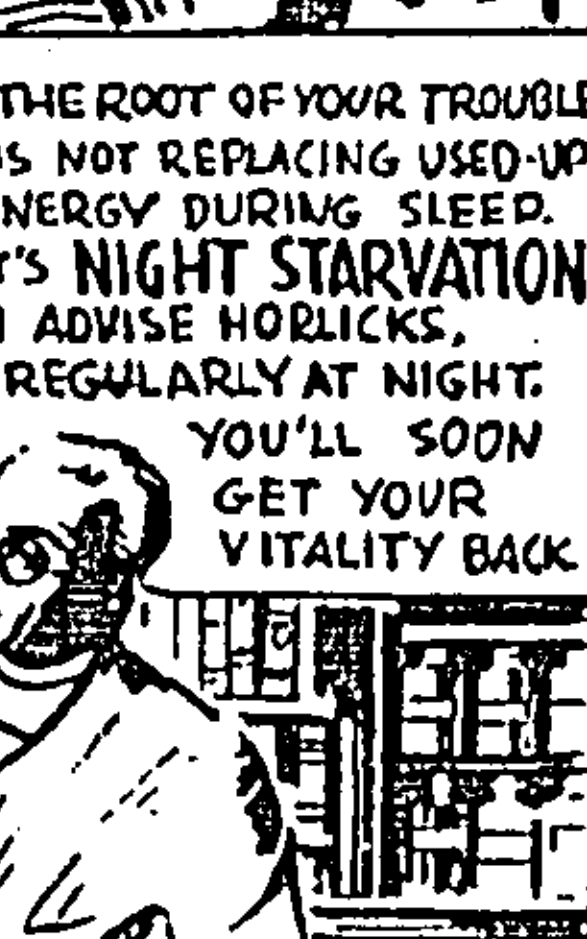
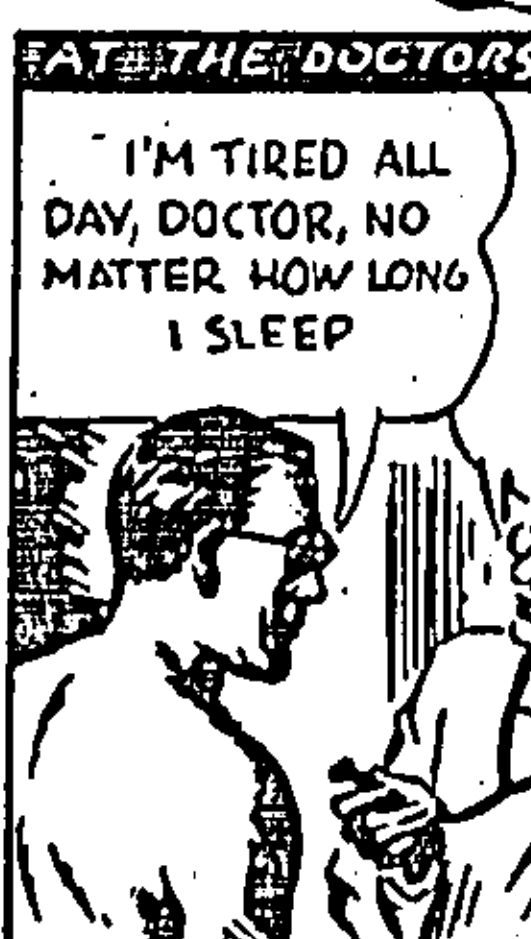
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Application for selection to compete must be made in the candidate's own handwriting and should reach the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dockyard not later than a.m. 1st April.

Two passport photographs of the candidate must be sent with the application.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

OLD BEGGAR ROBBED

Compensated With Money From Court Poor Box

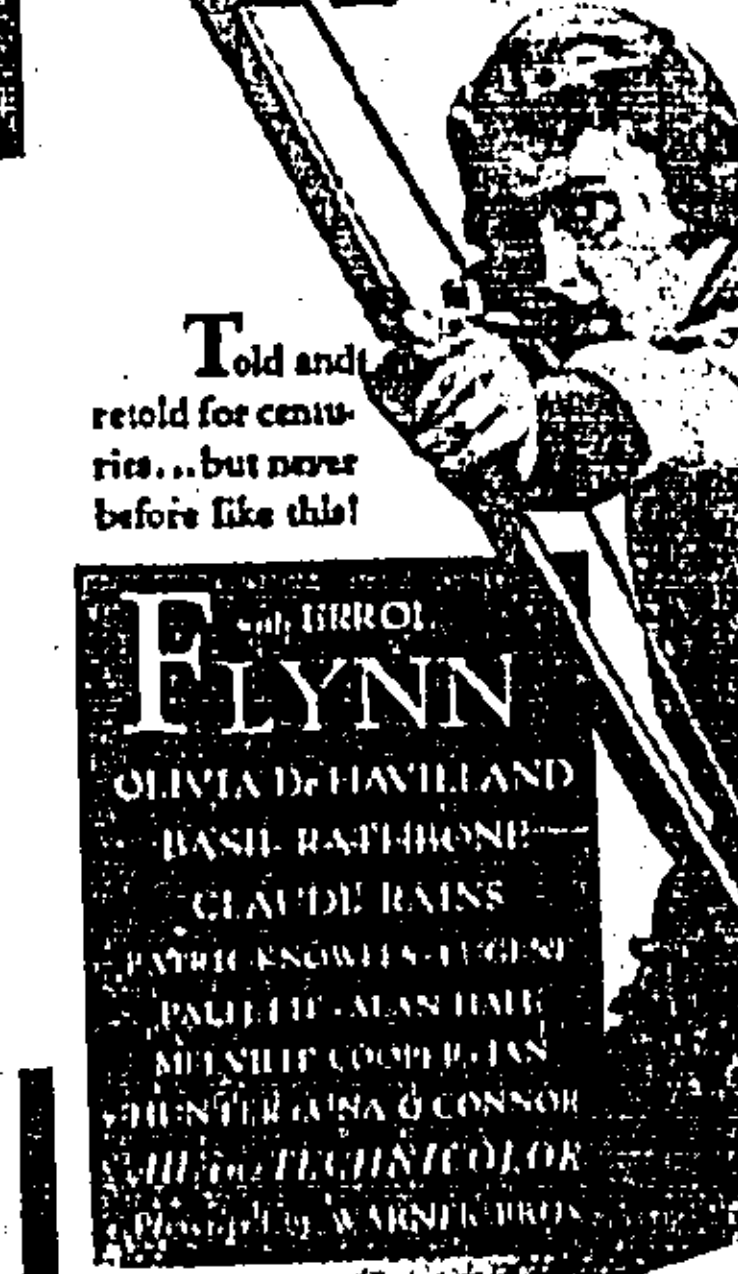
The theft of \$5 from a 75-year-old beggar named Wong Kan at Portland Street, Mongkok, brought Sin Yiu, 30, unemployed, before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Sin was additionally charged with possession of a filed chisel. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour on the first charge and to one month on the second, the terms to run concurrently.

Wong was sleeping in the street when he felt someone touching his girdle. He tried to get up, but was pushed down again. When he finally got up, he saw three men, who ran away. He raised the alarm, and pursued the men, and the defendant was arrested by a pedestrian.

The \$5 taken from Wong was not recovered. His Worship ordered that \$2 be given to the old man as compensation from the Poor Box.

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Hearing of the summons against A. G. Hargreave, of Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., charged with driving a car while under the influence of liquor, and driving without due care and caution, was continued before Mr. R. Edwards in the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Hargreave is alleged to have driven his car while under the influence of liquor along Bonham Road on February 22 last, and to have swerved near King's College, thus colliding with a motor cycle driven by Woo Kam-tai. Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders, prosecutor, and Mr. G. Nigel, witness for the defence, Mr. Alfred Y. S. Hon held a watching brief on behalf of Woo.

Mrs. A. M. Kirk, residing at the French Hotel, Causeway Bay, who was subpoenaed by the defence, stated that shortly after 1 p.m. on February 22 she was driving along Bonham Road when she noticed the remains of an accident between a small Morris car and a motor cycle. She stopped and got out of her car, but as she was approaching the scene of the accident Hargreave came towards her and asked for a handkerchief to bind up his wrist, which was bleeding profusely.

At the same time, she saw a prostitute form lying near the wreckage, and thinking that he was more in need of attention, she asked Hargreave to wait. There were a bus and a big car nearby, and she went over to the latter to ask the persons inside, some of whom were foreigners, if they would take the man lying there to the hospital, as her own car was too small. She received no response. Meanwhile, Hargreave again asked her for a handkerchief to bind up his wrist. She told him she knew nothing of first-aid but would like him to take the Queen Mary Hospital.

Rude and Curt

Continuing, Mrs. Kirk said: On the way to the hospital, I was rather rude and curt to Hargreave for I was myself excited and angry at the refusal of the persons in the big car to give me any assistance. I asked Hargreave what his name was, and, on being told, I inquired if he was of the I.C.I. He replied yes and I told him, "I am Kirk's man." He replied how strange, and then asked me to call on his wife sometime. I didn't know he was even married and then told him, to keep quiet as I wanted to give all my attention to the road, having been in the Colony for only three weeks. My remarks to him were curt, and he answered me just as quickly.

Questioned by Mr. Nigel, Mrs. Kirk said that she thought both of them were excited at the time. Mr. Nigel: Apart from being excited, was there anything to show that Hargreave was in any way irritated?—Not to me.

Did he have any difficulty in enunciating his words?—I didn't notice. In fact we were speaking very quickly and snubbing at each other.

Was his speech in any way thick or blurred?—No.

Did he seem to be depressed, morbid?—I didn't look at him. I kept my eyes on the road.

When he approached your car for help was he staggering?—I didn't notice.

From what you saw of him, did he strike you as a man who had taken alcohol and was unable to look after his own car?—He was obviously upset and excited by the smash, and so was I.

Was there anything in his actions or speech to suggest to you that he had been drinking alcohol?—I have never been in contact with intoxicated men so I can't give any opinion, but I did not notice any effects of alcohol on him.

Was he incapable?—Certainly not. His movements were those of a normal man, I think.

Right up to the time you left him he was able to look after himself?—On arriving at the hospital he seemed upset, and I asked him if he needed any assistance. He said no. Just then I saw Sister Fraser and called out to her. Sister Fraser thought I was in the accident too, as I was far more excited than Hargreave.

In reply to Inspector Saunders, Mrs. Kirk said that what she told a Police officer after the accident was that Hargreave was upset and excited as she was.

Men and Alcohol

Inspector Saunders: Do you remember the Police officer asking you if you could say anything about Hargreave's condition and whether he had been drinking, and you replied you were unable to?—He asked me if I smelt his breath, and I tried to make a joke out of it by saying that most men nowadays smelt of alcohol.

You didn't say Hargreave had been drinking?—No.

If other witnesses say his breath smelt of alcohol how can you explain that you didn't notice?—As I said just now, most men smelt of alcohol nowadays.

Inspector Saunders expressed his disagreement, and then asked: Was he incapable of driving a car properly?—That's strange you should ask. Of course, he was incapable because his wrist was out of action. But apart from the wrist I can express no opinion on that. He was only upset.

After Mr. C. H. Douglas, of the P.W.D., had produced plans of the accident, Dr. T. K. Lien, of the Queen Mary Hospital, testified having examined Hargreave and his car about 10 hours after the accident. Hargreave's face, said witness, was flushed, his eyes red, his pulse rapid, and his breath smelt strongly of alcohol. He was unusually talkative and happy, a fact which struck witness as rather strange in view of the circumstances which led to his admission.

He could not say if Hargreave was in a condition to drive a car properly, as he did not examine him

at the time of his admission. That had been done by another doctor. Cross-examined by Mr. Nigel, witness said he went to the ward where Hargreave was, in response to a telephone message. He could not say definitely who sent the message as he did not ask, but he thought at the time that it was the Police. There were no indications suggesting Hargreave was suffering from shock. He spoke to Hargreave, who was talking much more than he, and he complained of feeling hungry.

Further questioned, witness said that Hargreave found no difficulty in enunciation, nor was his speech blurred when witness saw him. Traffic Sergeant J. Harris testified to having examined the wreckage and found a Morris Minor two-seater, No. 3543 on the left hand bend just past King's College, and a motor cycle No. 153 on the right side in front of the front wheel of the car was resting on that of the motor cycle. The left front mudguard of the car was badly dented and there was also a large dent on the windscreen. The lower part of the windscreen was shattered, and there was blood on the steering wheel. The hand-brake was on, and the ignition turned off.

The motor-cycle sustained damage on the front mudguard and the lamp protector. There were two feet and three inches respectively, and these indicated that the car must have swerved from the wrong side of the road back to the right side.

He saw Hargreave at 3 p.m. the same day, and Hargreave was under the influence of alcohol but not drunk.

The case was adjourned to this afternoon.

REPUBLICAN LEADERS FLEE TO FRANCE

(Continued from Page 1.)

Early this afternoon, a provisional administrative committee was formed by Falangists, who had remained concealed in the city from the outbreak of the hostilities.

While Nationalist army engineers are feverishly engaged in building emergency bridges across the Manzanara, the population is set to work removing barbed-wire entanglements and barricades in order to speed up the entry of General Franco's troops.

While the Nationalists are marching into Madrid, the offensive is continuing on the other fronts. In the Cordoba sector, a Nationalist column met no resistance in occupying Adamuz.

WELCOME TO TROOPS

General Franco's troops were given a spontaneous welcome in Madrid, while Nationalist aeroplanes performed acrobatics.

The centre of the city shows no signs of having been affected by the Nationalist bombardments, but the outside fortifications present a terrible spectacle, entire blocks of houses having disappeared.

The greatest damage was caused in the Arguelles quarter, where scarcely a house remains inhabitable.

200,000 MARCH IN

An army of 200,000 Nationalists marched into Madrid this afternoon, declared Senor Scriven, a Nationalist Minister of the Interior in a broadcast from Burgos.

Madrid, he continued, was to have been the grave of Fascism, but instead it had become the grave of Communism. "Victory has been achieved, despite those nations who speak hypocritically of peace, but who harbour thoughts of war in their hearts."

Spain desires to live in peace, he declared, but is determined to defend her liberties at all cost. The world must realise the importance of Spain in the international scheme.—Trans-Ocean.

PRIME MINISTER'S HINT: 'HALT HITLER' PLANS

(Continued from Page 1.)

than one government involved, and decision is not solely a decision of His Majesty's Government.—Reuter.

DEFENCE PARLEYS IN WELLINGTON

London, Mar. 28. Making a written reply to a question asked on March 24 regarding the proposed Pacific Conference, in which representatives of Great Britain, New Zealand and Australia will participate, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the Government was satisfied that the composition of the United Kingdom delegation was suitable for the question to be discussed.

Lieut-Commander Fletcher asked if the Prime Minister had not considered that events, which had transpired since the conference was summoned, rendered it of far greater importance than that of point of view, would he consider strengthening representation so as to make it one of first-class importance.

The Prime Minister replied: "The matter has been carefully considered, and I am satisfied to have the right composition."—Reuter.

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SUGAR: The North American Company's earnings for the 12 months ended March 31, are estimated at \$1.60 per share.

WHEAT: The Administration will oppose the Bill for increasing the domestic sugar producers' quota.

LONDON AVERAGES: MARCH 27 MARCH 28 Industrial Average 98.0 96.8 Ralls Average 55.7 54.9

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.

'ARGUS' MADE NEWSMEN GASP AT DEMONSTRATION

A YOUNG MAN named Nathaniel Copeland wandered into the "Telegraph" office after the Final Edition went to bed yesterday and sat on the corner of a desk to yarn about Australia.

During the course of his conversation he casually produced a pack of playing cards. "Pick one," he challenged.

"You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month!"

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure he hadn't glimpsed the lease I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-boiled reporters were gathering. "When am I going on leave?" one challenged in writing on a folded strip of paper.

The visitor looked thoughtful. "You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer Potsdam next month."

Which, of course, is perfectly true. D.V.

It wasn't the end of his demonstration of the powers of telepathy. He gave the number on a one-dollar Hongkong bank-note casually taken from the pocket of one of his audience.

He told another reporter his birthday. A cable sub-editor, his mind haunted by the possibility of more and more crises (and, of course, more and more cables) asked hopefully in writing whether there would be a war in Europe.

NO WAR

The visitor was quite confident. "You want to know if there'll be

war in Europe?" he said, without touching or seeing the slip of paper.

"There won't. Germany and Italy realise now that Britain has re-armed too quickly for them. There will be peace in Europe."

All of which was very mystifying, but may have been explained by the fact that Nathaniel Copeland is really "Argus", a telepathist who has been demonstrating on the stage since he was six years of age.

In Australia, his name is an household word. In England he has made several appearances at Covent Garden and once gave a performance for the late King George V, who expressed his amusement in a letter through his Private Secretary.

He is playing a short season at the Queen's Theatre in Hongkong—the first time he has appeared in this Colony.

"Argus" appears at all performances at the Queen's. His father, formerly of Scotland Yard, assists the demonstration by asking individual members of the audience if there are any questions they would like to ask.

RUSSIAN BALL

The Russian community in Hongkong will hold its Spring-Ball (Easter) at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday, April 11, from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m. During the evening, Gorchouff's Ballet and a gypsy chorus will entertain.

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Straits and Europe via Suez (Papers, etc.), London date, 2nd March and London Parcels—(London date, 23rd February) Chitral March 29. Formosa March 29.

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Shanghai, Amoy and Chuanchow April 1. Ixion April 1. Anna Muersk April 2. Chenonceaux April 2. Nellore April 4. Terukuni Maru April 4. Van Heutz April 4.

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Parcels and Papers only for Canada K.P.O. Reg. Mar. 29, 4.00 p.m. (and Letters and Papers only for Seattle via Vancouver B.C.) Reg. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m. due Vancouver B.C., 20th April Ord. Mar. 29, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 29, 4.00 p.m. Ord. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 29, 7.00 p.m. Ord. Mar. 29, 7.30 p.m.

Parcels, Mar. 29, 4.00 p.m. Reg. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Mar. 29, 7.00 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, San Francisco—due San Francisco, 20th April. Kamakura Maru Wed., Mar. 29. K.P.O. Reg. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Mar. 29, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 29, 5.00 p.m. Ord. Mar. 29, 7.00 p.m.

Thursday

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Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Elro) via Chitral Thurs., Mar. 30, 10.30 a.m. Siberia Thurs., Mar. 30, 10.30 a.m. Swatow Thurs., Mar. 30, 2 p.m. Halphong Thurs., Mar. 30, 2.30 p.m. Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban. Thurs., Mar. 30, 2.30 p.m.

Africa via "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 6th April. Imperial Airways Plane Thurs., Mar. 30. K.P.O. Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 30, 7 p.m.

Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 8th April. Imperial Airways Plane Thurs., Mar. 30. K.P.O. Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 30, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 30, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 30, 7 p.m.

Friday

Shanghai Fri., Mar. 31, 8.30 a.m. Swatow Fri., Mar. 31, 8.30 a.m. Swatow Fri., Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m. Swatow Fri., Mar. 31, 10.30 a.m. Parcels and Papers only for Ceylon, India, East and M/V Canton. Fri., Mar. 31, 11 a.m. Papers. Fri., Mar. 31, 2.30 p.m.

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Manila Fri., Mar. 31, 7 p.m. Straits, Ceylon, India, East and M/V Canton. Fri., Mar. 31. K.P.O. a.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 31, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 31, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Mar. 31, 5 p.m. Ord. Mar. 31, 7 p.m.

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Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Nankin. Reg. Mar. 31, 8.45 a.m. Ord. April 1, 8.45 a.m. Brisbane, 18th April. Reg. April 1, 8.30 a.m. Ord. April 1, 8.30 a.m.

Saturday

Sandakan Sat., April 1, 8.30 a.m. Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct M/V Canton. Sat., Apr. 1. Service"—due Amsterdam, 11th April. Reg. Apr. 1, 9.30 a.m. Ord. Apr. 1, 10 a.m. G.P.O. Reg. Apr. 1, 10 a.m. Ord. Apr. 1, 10 a.m.

Halphong Sat., April 1, 1 p.m. Halphong Sat., April 1, 1 p.m. Amoy Sat., April 1, 1 p.m. Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Pan American Airways plane. Sat., Apr. 1. Reg. Apr. 1, 5 p.m. Ord. Apr. 1, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O. Reg. Apr. 1, 5 p.m. Ord. Apr. 1, 7 p.m.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Polish Corridor

LATEST GERMAN PROPOSAL

Abolition Of Danzig Commissioner

London, Mar. 28. According to the News-Chronicle, Germany has sent a note to Poland with reference to Danzig, proposing that the Danzig High Commissioner should be abolished, that any settlement be confined to Germany and Poland alone and that all rights in Danzig revert to Germany with the exception of certain port rights which Poland may enjoy.

The News-Chronicle says Poland is considering the note carefully, and that the proposals form the one reason for Poland's hesitation to join the "Halt Hitler" bloc.—United Press.

Defence Loan

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Appealing to the nation to subscribe generously to the £48,000,000 internal defence loan, Gen. Skwarczynski, leader of the Government party, declared today that Poland visualised war in the future as an era of fresh successes for the invincible Polish army.

He added that the Poles regarded the events of history as importance occurring near the frontiers calmly because they were confident of their own strength.—Reuter.

German Press Campaign

Berlin, Mar. 28. Agitation about the treatment of Germans in Poland which was begun yesterday continuing today in the Essen National Zeitung which has connections with General Goering.

The newspaper, under the headline "Intolerable burden on German friendship," says the impression is gaining ground that the Polish authorities are not making efforts to keep control. It is claimed that German men, women and children are systematically attacked, German farms and houses are attacked under cover of darkness and German shops boycotted.

The paper says that hitherto the German public opinion has been silent, hoping it only a question of isolated incidents.

"This silence is no longer possible, for the steady intensification of the campaign and its non-suppression by the Polish authorities represent in the long run an intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship," says the paper.

A message from Gliwice says that German workers in Upper Silesia can get neither bread nor work.—Reuter.

Russia

Big Troop Movements On Borders

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Information from Moscow says that the Soviet authorities were massing large military forces along the borders of Latvia and Estonia. Due to the massing of troops, the international express train from Moscow arrived here three hours behind schedule on Monday.

Most of the fresh reinforcements for Soviet border guards were sent from the White Russian Military District.

It is understood that the Soviet troop movements have been prompted by the reported opening of negotiations of unknown nature between Germany and Latvia.

The Soviet authorities were also reinforcing their defence forces along the border of Rumania near Bessarabia by mobilising the troops from the Balkan and Caucasian Military Districts.—Domet.

NEW HOSPITAL

Appeal for Money to Cover Cost of Building

London, Mar. 28. Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 9 and so far £20,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000 by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker.—British Wireless.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

floribus seigneur
follicle seismograph
sedentary dilettante
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 6.

Latest Spain Situation

MADRID FALLS: SURRENDER FLAG HOISTED: FIGHTING IN THE STREETS

General Franco's insurgent troops after practically completing their surrounding of Madrid yesterday entered the former Republican capital from which General Casado and other leaders had fled.

Having received no definite reply from the Loyalist Council of Defence to his demand for the surrender of the capital, General Franco ordered a new offensive. Artillery exchanges rocked the city earlier, and although resistance had been feeble, the insurgents met unexpected opposition in the streets on the outskirts of the city.

Several Loyalist posts in the suburbs first surrendered and many prisoners of war have been captured.

On the southern front success is attending General Franco's drive. The offensive culminated yesterday in the capture of the importance city of Almaden, where the world's richest mercury mines are situated. The city has been in the Loyalists' hands since the outbreak of the war in 1936.

Madrid, Mar. 28. Colonel Casado has ordered the demobilisation of all recruits awaiting instructions to rejoin the forces. This is regarded as confirming reports that the Republicans do not intend to resist Franco further.—Reuter.

Positions Abandoned

Paris, Mar. 28. The Loyalists have abandoned a number of positions on the outskirts of Madrid, according to a Havana message from Burgos. Whole units are stated to have surrendered to the insurgents south of the city.—Reuter.

Fall Imminent

Madrid, Mar. 28. Early this morning General Franco's troops believed that the occupation of Madrid was imminent, despite the unexpected resistance in the streets where the advancing troops frequently met munitions fire.—United Press.

Generals Surrender

Hendaye, Mar. 28. General Miaja, accompanied by two members of the Madrid Junta, Generals Manuel Matallana and Leopoldo Menendez, have arrived at Valencia by motor car. It is reported that General Miaja is ready to surrender authority to General Franco.—United Press.

Madrid Surrenders

Madrid, Mar. 28. After a siege lasting nearly two and a half years, Madrid has surrendered.

White flags were hoisted throughout the city to-day, but it is not yet known when the Nationalist troops will enter. General Casado has left his headquarters. The central army has surrendered, acting under the orders of their chief, Colonel Pradas.

It is believed that General Franco will enter Madrid on April 1.—Reuter.

To Hand Over

Madrid, Mar. 28. A broadcast message at noon to-day announces that the Republican leader, Colonel Vazquez Prada, has assumed command of the Madrid garrison until occupation of the city by Nationalist troops.—Trans-Ocean.

Nationalist Troops Arrive

Madrid, Mar. 28. At 11.50 a.m. Nationalist troops were already in the streets of north Madrid, advancing towards the centre.

All night long troops streamed from all fronts which are now deserted. Using special light units created for this offensive, which was headed by cavalry, the Nationalists carried their advance with practically no resistance. Three companies carrying white flags passed over their lines.—United Press.

Nationalists in Control

Madrid, Mar. 28. The Nationalist salute with extended arms is now seen everywhere.

The news spread like wildfire and Republican flags disappeared as if by magic.

The city exits are thronged with fugitives fleeing reprisals and they are desperately seeking means of escape, but cars are scarce owing to a petrol shortage. The streets are filled with soldiers who have abandoned the front lines. Republican banknotes are refused in shops.

It is not known where General Casado, Chief of the Republican forces, has fled, but he left Madrid before its surrender.

The Police look on indifferently while Nationalist supporters demonstrate.

The first troops to enter the city will be those from University City.—Reuter.

SOUTHERN OFFENSIVE

Burgos, Mar. 28. The insurgents were given a tremendous welcome when they occupied Almaden, the centre of the world's greatest mercury mines in the world, which has been in Loyalist hands since the outbreak of the war. According to an eye-witness the Loyalists offered less resistance in the past 24 hours than on the first day of the new offensive.

An insurgent communiqué claims that offensives in the Cordoba and Toledo sectors have resulted in the capture of over 10,000 prisoners and large quantities of war material.—Reuter.

Rumania

Appeal For Change In Regime

Bucharest, Mar. 28. An appeal for a change in the regime in Rumania in the interests of national unity is contained in a memorandum addressed to King Carol by 33 former Prime Ministers, including M. Maniu, leader of the National Peasant Party.

The appeal expresses regret that during the recent crisis the King did not invite the leaders of all the old political parties to discuss the situation with him in addition to the Government, and declares that the King recently assumed too much responsibility and authority.

It demands the establishment of a regime of National Unity and National Faith, having direct contact with the people.—Reuter.

INVITATION BY RUMANIA

Bucharest, Mar. 28. Addressing the Grand Council of 150 members convened for the first time since the founding of the State, M. Calinescu gave an assurance that all the other nations were welcome to conclude an agreement similar to the trade accord between Germany and Rumania.

A categorical denial was made in answer to a question whether the accord infringed Rumania's independence.—United Press.

PACT WITH SLOVAKIA

Berlin, Mar. 28. The text of the German-Slovak clearing agreement was published yesterday. Although the agreement will not become effective until the documents of ratification are exchanged in Bratislava, it had been provisionally in force since March 23.

Provision is made in this agreement for a regular clearing bank, and a Slovak national bank, which is to be founded in Bratislava. The agreement covers all ordinary trade between the two countries but does not apply to transit or ocean traffic.—Trans-Ocean.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

(Continued from Page 6.)

most distinguished effort at journalism." (pp. 39-40.)

Q. What do you think of England's part in the war.

A. "I watched England; she was pondering deeply upon the steps to take, and then, in order to keep her supremacy, and also for the sake of her pride and the sake of humanity, she moved her formidable machinery and quickened the organisation of new armies to snatch from Germany's grip the control of the old Continent." (pp. 38-39.)

Q. Hitler condemns the Treaty of Versailles, which resulted from this war. What do you think of it?

A. "The event for Europe was the end of a nightmare. The continued disillusions, the reserves and the disillusions between the Allies constituted a permanent danger and a reason for anxiety for many nations. The conclusion of the treaty was, therefore, for Italy, a liberation."

"For Italy, the contrary; it was a complete shattering of ideals. We had won the war; we were utterly defeated in the diplomatic battle. We were losing the whole of Dalmatia, our land by tradition and history. The colonial problem was resolved for us in an absolutely negative way." (p. 69.)

Q. What do you think of your new friends, the Jugo-Slavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which did, and still does, work itself along the subterranean, tunnels of secret societies." (p. 35.)

Q. How would you define a good politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must be animated by the humane and devout sense; they must have a regard for a love and a deep vision toward their fellow-creatures. And all these qualities must not be defiled by dissimulations, or rhetoric, or flatteries, or compromises, or servile concessions." (p. 69.)

Q. And do you fit this definition?

A. "On this ground at least I am proud to know myself as one not to be suspected—even by myself—and feeling as to my inmost

Princess Alice

London, Mar. 28. Princess Alice, sister of King George VI and her husband, the Duke of Athlone, will leave England on April 11 to pay a visit to Iran. It is expected to last about one month. The purpose of the journey has so far not been disclosed.—Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai

Japanese Succumb To Wounds

Daring Assassination Perpetrated

Shanghai, Mar. 28. The shooting occurred when Ataru Makino, who is assistant chief of the personnel section at the Shanghai Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company's mill, was shot through the head while in a rickshaw going through the Yangtsepoos district. He was picked up by Japanese gendarmes and conveyed to Japanese headquarters and later to the infirmary of the cotton firm where he died.

Makino was a member of the Japanese Residents' Corporation.

All traffic was immediately suspended after the shooting as the Japanese authorities halted vehicles going in either direction at Yangtsepoos and instituted a minute search. A Japanese naval landing party and Japanese gendarmes threw a cordon around the scene of attack. Several Chinese were detained for questioning.

One cartridge shell proved to be the only tangible clue.

The shooting was particularly daring, as it took place in a heavily patrolled area in the vicinity of the Japanese wharves. Shooting north of Soochow Creek has been an extremely rare occurrence. There has also been a dearth of shootings in the foreign areas since police precautions were put into effect.

One suspect was detained in the neighbourhood of the crime, according to a Japanese spokesman at today's press conference.—Reuter.

CLASH IN HUNGJAO ROAD

Shanghai, Mar. 28. A Japanese spokesman stated today that 10 armed Chinese bandits encountered Japanese troops at Hungjao Road this morning and engaged in an exchange of shots.

One bandit is reported to have been killed and another arrested, both being armed with Mauser pistols.—United Press.

Italy

Italians To Celebrate Air Force Day

Rome, Mar. 28. Italian Air Force Day, destined to commemorate the enactment of the law of March 28, 1923, creating an autonomous air arm as an integral part of the fighting forces, was celebrated throughout the country today. In Rome a wreath was laid by two Italian Legionaries from Spain at the monument of the Unknown Soldier in Piazza Venezia in the presence of Signor Mussolini and 18,000 airmen, including 3,000 Legionaries.

In front of the "Altar of the Fatherland" 11 Duce subsequently decorated a number of airmen with the gold service medal, while relatives of 30 airmen who fell in Spain received commemorative medals.

Signor Mussolini, accompanied by members of the Government and afterwards watched a parade of 31,000 airmen in Via Impero.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH AWARDS

Recognition of Services Of Shanghai Officials

Shanghai, Mar. 28. The French Municipal Council has unanimously endorsed the suggestion to award gold and silver medals to high officials of the International Settlement in recognition of their outstanding services during the past 18 months.

Mr. Sterling Fessenden, American Secretary-General of the Municipal Council who will be retiring shortly, will receive a gold medal, which will also be awarded to Major K. M. Bourne, Municipal Police Commissioner, while Captain H. O. Reed, Municipal Council Fire Brigade chief, and Major J. T. Ford, Municipal Council Treasurer, who are also retiring, will receive the silver medal.—United Press.

moral fibre that this fibre is invincible. "I believe that this, above all else, has been the stuff and fabric of my strength and success." (p. 65.)

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South Africa

Colour Riots In Capetown

Capetown, Mar. 28. Headed by a band carrying flaming torches, 4,000 coloured men marched to Parliament House. They tried to enter the grounds and booted the legislators watching from the steps of the House.

Assisted by civilians, the police succeeded in closing the gates after a desperate fight in which four members of the police had to be sent to hospital. The demonstration was in the nature of a protest against the compulsory segregation of coloured men.—Reuter.

HEALTH BULLETINS

Two cases each of Diphtheria and Typhoid, 20 of Tuberculosis, 11 of Measles, one of Chicken-pox, and four of Meningitis, were reported on Monday. The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Six cases of Small-pox with seven deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with five deaths, 18 of Typhoid with five deaths, 65 of Measles with 20 deaths, six of Chicken-pox with one death, 20 of Meningitis with 10 deaths, 10 of Dysentery with five deaths, one of Puerperal Fever, and 138 of Tuberculosis with 22 deaths.

MEDICAL REGISTER

The name of Dr. Chung-ching wang, a graduate of Edinburgh University, has been added to the local register of medical practitioners. Dr. Wang practised in the Colony some years ago.

STOLE FROM FRIEND

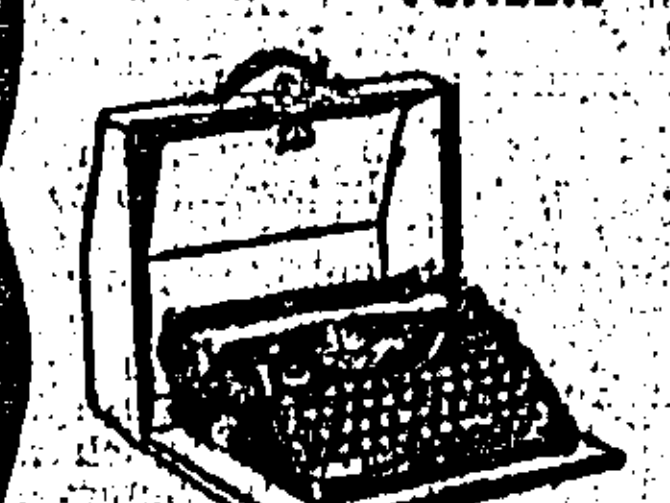
Young Girl Takes Watch From Fellow Lodger

Charged with the theft of a wrist-watch belonging to a friend, an 18-year-old girl, Teal Sut-Jai, was bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for a year, by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

According to Inspector W. Mair, defendant stayed in the same house, No. 238 Queen's Road West, ground floor, with complainant, Shum Pui-fong, a 17-year-old girl. Both were employed as apprentice hair-dressers. About 1 a.m., on March 25, Shum found her watch missing, and later it was found in the defendant's girdle.

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TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS

TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 3-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The latest stages of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the sporadic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faulty position by Rumjahn and Hussain left many loop-holes for the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed lobs, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

This was the only match played. The other one scheduled was not played, Lt. D. C. Misa and Lt. S. M. Azal conceding a walk-over to Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following is the programme to-day:

Open Singles.—Tsui Yun-pui v. T. J. Gould; Leong Ping-chiu v. Lee Wal-tong.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.—H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews v. E. E. and Mrs. Story.

Handicap Singles.—J. C. Pool v. A. T. Dow; V. R. Gordon v. T. C. Monaghan.

Handicap Doubles.—J. W. Mayhew and L. Brown v. C. D. N. Walker and R. G. Gray; R. M. M. King and J. P. Murphy v. J. Thomson and R. G. Biesel.

POLO

BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.

This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year! Ah. Money was spent lavishly. The defeat complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, in the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Balding, Captain of the British squad, as he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight, recently. A big, sturdy-checked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had come direct from the dock, this serious young stalwart to whom polo was life itself. Almost the first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at a meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing. He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacitation and the fact that Capt. Humphrey Guinness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Balding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Hesteth Hughes, Bob Skene, John Laking, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad, which could boast four 10-goal players.

Balding outlined the campaign plans, which included a first exhibition match at Medwick, Feb. 19. The west coast matches were to serve as trials for both riders and ponies, with the squad arriving at Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED

But the world of dreams has tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there always is the possibility that such an affair might arouse teammates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual or team which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.

The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1 from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Iglehart and Michael Phillips were all invited to participate in the trials. Phillips was accorded a ten-goal rating recently by the Polo Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal handi-cap men as the nucleus of the international team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest who boast eight goal handi-caps; E. J. Boesche Jr., William Post II, E. E. Gerry, G. H. Bestwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handi-caps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Talkoo court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo (holders) defeated K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

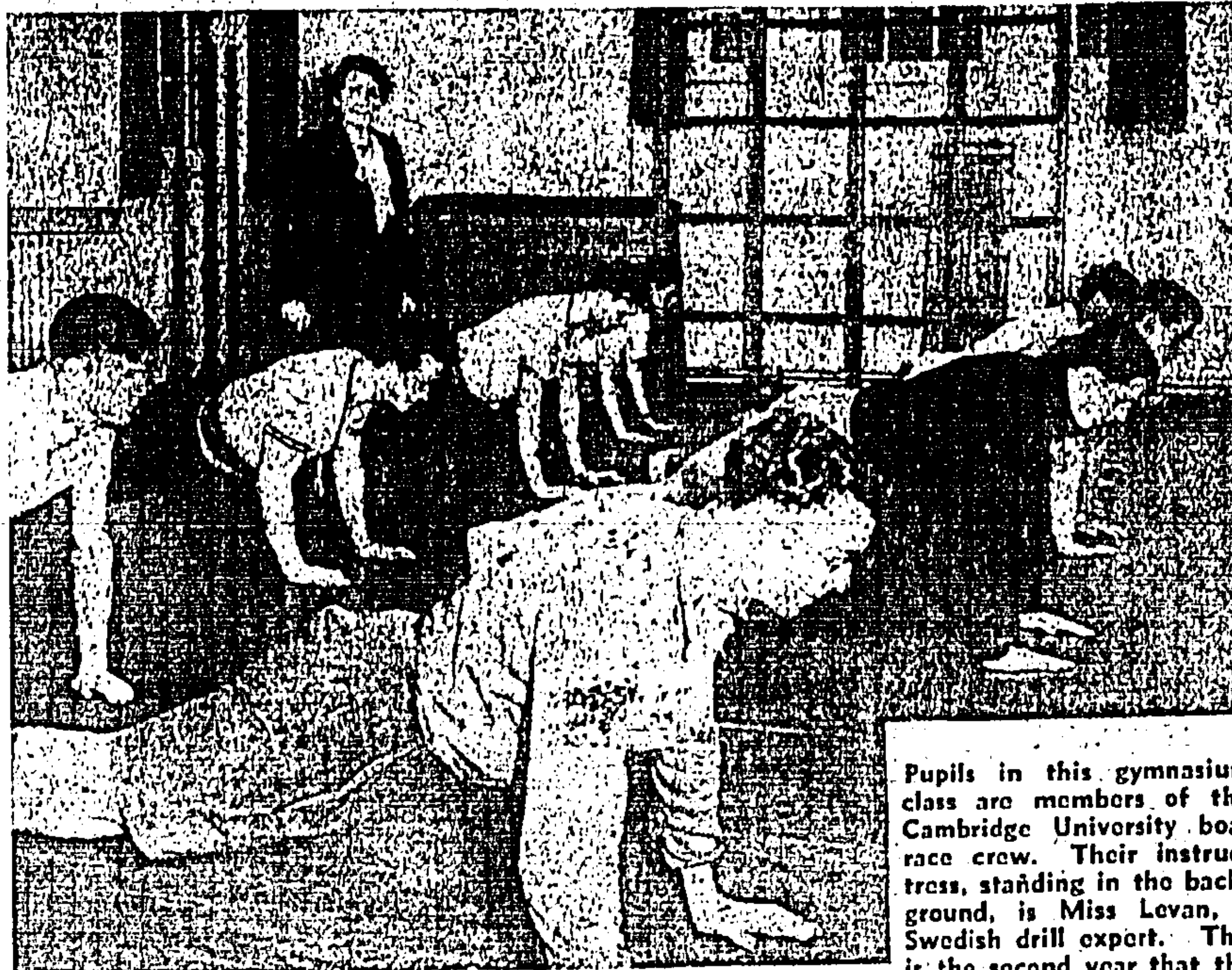
The results were:

D. Kwok beat P. Lo 15-0, 10-10, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung 15-7, 15-5.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios 15-0, 18-10.

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Pupils in this gymnasium class are members of the Cambridge University boat race crew. Their instructor, standing in the background, is Miss Levan, a Swedish drill expert. This is the second year that the Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon - Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macadam

London, Mar. 2.

Promoter Sydney Halls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar, and Halls is getting round the difficulties presented by those who say that Danahar can never again attempt to make the light-weight limit of 10st. 10lbs. by fixing the fight at 10st.

That would be a comfortable weight for Danahar, and Boon would not mind the disparity.

That would be one-half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protégé who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he wuz robbed.

READY FOR THE SIGNING

The conference was timed yesterday with Sydney Halls, John Harding and Jack Solomons, Eric Boon's manager, in the West End of London. Solomons could not turn up, and final details of the Boon-Danahar fight were not arranged, but Sydney Halls assured me last night that it was all over bar the signing.

It seems that the well-known Boon eye has yielded to treatment much better than was expected and he will be able to fight almost as soon as he gets back from his long holiday in America, so you may expect to hear any day now of a Boon-Danahar match on a Farr-Burman bill—at least, over twelve rounds in any public place from Salisbury Plain to the Devonshire Sporting Club.

HELPING RIVALS

That Harringay scrap has given a terrific fillip to business along the alley, and a great deal of the effects will be seen even in the rival promotion of Johnny Best at Harringay on March 16, when Len Harvey and Larry Gains battle for the Empire heavyweight title.

Both men are in serious training. Harvey, at his favourite camp, Jack Straw's Castle, Hampstead, and Gains at Shoburyness, where a variegated assortment of sparring partners testify to his fitness. Fit or not, I will prognosticate thus far from the night of battle that Harvey will be the same fighting fury that he was against Phillips, and that being so Larry will have to be very fit indeed.

Nearer home there is the big show at the Albert Hall to-morrow night. Now this is interesting to me largely because the principal protagonists, Al Delaney of Canada and Jack London of West Hartlepool, are pretty much on trial. They have both shown good form, and when they are good they are quite good. They have both shown bad form, and when they are bad they are terrible.

CONTENDERS ON TRIAL

For six months now both have chased Harvey for a title fight, and it depends entirely on the kind of performance they give the cash customers in the Albert Hall how their

TIME-LIMITLESS TEST MATCHES NOT TO INTEREST OF CRICKET

London, March 15.

Everybody is not commenting on the timeless Test in South Africa and most of them are saying "I told you so." Here are some comments from famous people.

Walter Hammond (speaking at lunch yesterday at Durban) said: "I hope that this is the last timeless Test that will ever be played between South Africa and England. I am convinced that these are not in the best interests of the game."

Sir Pelham Warner (former chairman of England's Selection Committee): "I would like to see five-day Tests in England and six-day matches in Australia and South Africa. In recent years it seems that many batsmen disregard their natural methods for unnecessary caution. In addition, the wickets are much too good."

"This problem of wickets is undergoing careful consideration, and I think that before the summer a definite move will be made to make the fight between bat and ball more even."

Sir Stanley Jackson (President of Yorkshire C.C.C.): "England's effort in the last innings at Durban was astounding, but it has not been a very satisfactory match. The feeling in this country, as far as I can judge, is very definitely against playing without some limit."

"I believe that a cricket match without a clock is certainly not what we used to regard as a cricket match. My view is that a good game should not be put in a position where it can be ridiculed."

Frank Chester (one of our leading umpires): "Timeless Tests are a 'wash-out.' That Leeds provided last summer was a good example. It is a test of skill, it was not dangerous, and for three days we had thrill after thrill."

NO MORE SUCH?

The last and "timeless" Test Match of the series has ended in a decisively and general opinion is that the experiment is unlikely to be tried again in matches between this country and South Africa. It is pointed out that a match which may last as this did, for nine days of actual play (apart from a day of rain) is unlikely to produce the best

as opposed to the most cautious—cricket, and the fact that interest was restored to the match towards the end by a magnificent M.C.C. innings cannot be reckoned as a normal probability.

This caveat against a repetition of one factor of the M.C.C. tour should not obscure its general success. The relations between the English team, finely captained by W. R. Hammond, and Alan Melville's South Africans have been excellent; no less pleasant has been their reception by the public in South Africa. Many in both countries will echo the wish expressed by the M.C.C.'s hosts that the interchange of visits may become more frequent. Certainly South Africa gave every sign, especially in the Fourth Test, of possessing a side of equal calibre to the team that has made cricket history by scoring, for the loss of five wickets, the largest total ever made in a fourth innings.

Right up to the very end, which was certainly one of the bitterest, this match remained a kind of caucelore. The Friday before last most people were regretting that such an affair had ever been started—an opinion which the events of the subsequent few days did little to alter—but the news of the abandonment caused the greatest disappointment for it cannot be gained that England's wonderful effort for victory had aroused widespread interest.

WICKET PERFECT

An interest, however, which was apt to lose sight of the fact that the pitch was practically as perfect as when the match began; and many of the South African spectators, throughout the game, must have sighed for the good old days of maling, when the ball did have a chance, and when the batsman had continually to be on the look-out. As it was 5.47 balls were delivered during this particular match, more than a quarter of the total number sent down by Turner and Ferris during the whole of the Australian tour of England in 1898.

Eric Boon Goes For Holiday

London, Mar. 8.

Eric Boon, the British light-weight champion, sailed for America on a holiday this week with his manager and his boxing friend, Kid Silver.

Boon's manager said that while they were going first of all for a holiday boxing enthusiasts must not be surprised if they heard of "a big business move while we are over in the States."

RUGBY LEAGUE TIE RESULT

London, Mar. 28.

In the Rugby League to-day, Keighley, at home, lost to Liverpool by 5-0.—Reuter.

Home Football

RANGERS MAKE SURE OF LEAGUE

London, Mar. 28.

Glasgow Rangers made certain of the championship of the First Division in the Scottish Football League to-day by visiting Clyde and playing a draw of 1-1. The point gained from this encounter ensures the Rangers' remaining at the top of the League Table irrespective of the results of their remaining matches.

The following were the results of the matches played:

Clyde 1 Rangers 1

Partick 4 Hibernian 0

—Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLE
The following are the leading teams in the Scottish League:

P. W. D. L. F. A. Pts.

Rangers ... 34 23 8 3 107 50 54

Celtic ... 32 17 7 8 69 40 41

Falkirk ... 34 17 7 10 68 50 41

Aberdeen ... 33 17 6 10 80 54 40

Queen O'Sh. 34 16 6 10 62 50 40

Football Matches Re-Arranged

Owing to the annual inspection of the Middlesex Regiment, the first division football match between the Middlesex and Eastern, which was scheduled for to-day, has been postponed until Friday at Soekunpoo at 5 p.m.

The following matches have been re-arranged from Saturday to Monday and Tuesday, next week:

Monday.—Second Division, Royal Scots v. South China (Military ground), 5 p.m.

Tuesday.—First Division, Royal Scots v. South China "B" (Soekunpoo), 5 p.m.

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NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourney

Competition Divided Into Four Sections, Each With Ten Sides

Forty teams entered for the Six-a-side hockey competition, organised by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground. Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines. All matches, including the final, will be played off on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m. Each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own Club colours. Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played. The draw resulted as follows:

Navy Ground No. 1
First Round.—8th A.A. v. Radio "A"; Perseus "A" v. Kumaons "A".
Second Round.—Officers I.M.S. Medway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla; Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College "A"; C.B.A. v. U.S.R.C.
C.B.A. Ground
First Round.—Recreio "C" v. 8th R.A. "B"; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".
Second Round.—R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B"; Olympus v. Lower Deck, Medway; Semew v. R. Engineers.
Recreio Ground
First Round.—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".
Second Round.—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Kadourie School; R. Scots v. Recreio "B".
Navy Ground No. 2
First Round.—C.B.A. "A" v. Perseus "B"; Recreio "A" v. R.A.O.C. "B".
Second Round.—Nomads "B" v. 7th A.A.; Birmingham "B" v. Kumaons "B"; Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex "A".

In the semi-finals, the winners of Navy Ground No. 1 will meet the winners of C.B.A. Ground; the winners of Recreio Ground will meet winners of Navy Ground No. 2.

MID-WEEK MATCHES

St. Andrew's and Hongkong Hockey Club Teams Chosen

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Cier Clarke Cup hockey match against the "Y" Ladies on the "Y" Ground to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.

J. Hall; G. White and M. Roza; P. Pettigrew, J. Wong and H. Reid; F. Wong, E. Churn, I. Gittins, A. Zimmerman, and T. Jex.

Brown Cup Team

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup hockey match against the "Y" on Friday, March 31, on the C.B.A. Ground at 5.15 p.m.

H. O'Sullivan; M. Newman and J. Broadbridge; P. Jefferys, Y. Ho and M. Vessouari; S. Arnold, V. Jex, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

EASTER GOLF

Kowloon v. Happy Valley Annual Match

The following starting times have been arranged for the annual golf match between the Kowloon G.C. and Happy Valley golfers on Friday, April 7, on the Kowloon course:

Kowloon v. Happy Valley
9.00 a.m. W. R. K. Collins v. W. J. S. Key
9.00 a.m. F. F. Fletcher v. L. Goldman
9.00 a.m. A. J. Dennis v. A. McKellar
9.12 a.m. W. S. Hillier v. W. Sharp
9.12 a.m. A. Eastman v. A. D. Humphreys
9.24 a.m. F. Ahern v. D. Forbes
9.24 a.m. W. C. Simpson v. J. W. Macdonald
9.28 a.m. F. C. Barry v. W. F. Barnes
9.28 a.m. J. D. Thomas v. D. Humphreys
9.36 a.m. G. Milne v. T. Low
9.40 a.m. G. P. Murphy v. J. A. H. Selby
9.44 a.m. J. Barker v. J. A. H. Selby
9.48 a.m. W. Paterson v. F. Buckle
9.52 a.m. A. Davies v. G. E. Willerton
9.56 a.m. F. Fletcher v. T. M. Moy
10.00 a.m. W. Bastin v. N. J. Booker
10.04 a.m. W. Hyde v. A. Brookbank
10.08 a.m. W. Groves v. A. J. MacFadyen

SPORT ADVTs

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road. Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28. THE UNITED STATES EM-BASSY has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.

One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.

Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Shan in Shensi, Pingling in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wanhshien in Szechuen.—Reuter.

Wounded Flow Into Shanghai Cotton Mill Turned Into Hospital

CHUNGKING, Mar. 28. AS ALL hospitals in Shanghai for Japanese wounded soldiers have been filled to capacity, the Japanese have converted the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Hongkew into a hospital for wounded soldiers, a Shanghai message reveals.

As fighting has been renewed on the Yangtze front, many wounded Japanese soldiers have been carried to Shanghai for medical treatment.



Loretta Young and Joel McCrea are starred in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Blind Mice," featuring Pauline Moore, David Niven, Stuart Erwin and Marjorie Weaver (left to right).

Nine Records Broken At Wah Yan Meet

No less than nine records, six track and three field were broken at the fourteenth annual athletic meeting of Wah Yan College which was held at the Caroline Hill Stadium, yesterday.

The track was in splendid condition due to the fall of rain a few days ago, while the weather was ideal from the competitors point of view, although a slight drizzle of rain fell towards the end of the meet.

"White House" were the winners of "The Shou Sun Chow Championship Shield" with a total of 181 points, followed by Black House with 163½ points, and Red House with 151 points.

Mr. C. G. Solis, Director of Education, presented the prizes at the end of the sports.

The results were:
100 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Hung Wai-chung; 2. Wong Kan-fuk; 3. Lee Shing-wing. Distance 17 ft. 6 ins.
Putting the Weight, 1st Grade.—1. Kan Yue-shing; 2. Ip Tai-to; 3. Tai Chan-hoi. Distance 25 ft. 7 ins.
High Jump, 1st Grade.—1. Hung Wai-chung; 2. Kan Yue-shing; 3. Man Tak-kwong. Height 4 ft. 2 ins.
100 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Yue Yu-tak; 2. Lai Chung-yin; 3. Ng Cheung-kong. Time 12½ secs.
800 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Li Yu-tak; 2. Lai Chung-yin; 3. Hung Wai-chung. Distance 18 ft. 3 ins.
100 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Hung Wai-chung; 2. Fan Chung-hong; 3. Cheung Man-kong. Time 14½ secs.
200 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Chan Yee-fong; 2. Szeio Ying; 3. Wong Yue-kin. Time 23 secs. (Record).
400 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Fung Kim-hing; 2. Ho Kee-yin; 3. G. Chow. Time 60½ secs.
Long Jump, 1st Grade.—1. Yue Yu-tak; 2. Lai Chung-yin; 3. Ma Pak-wai. Distance 23 ft. 3 ins. (Record).
200 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Hung Wai-chung; 2. Wong Kan-fuk; 3. Cheung Man-kong. Time 28½ secs. (Record).
400 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Lai Chung-yin; 2. Tui Wing-tze; 3. Young Sze-yee. Time 1½ mins.
100 Metres, Junior boys Wah Yan, Kowloon.—1. Ho Sai-kit; 2. Yau Kwai-leung. Time 18½ secs.
100 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Yung Tam-hing; 2. Mok Yew-choi. Time 15 secs.
400 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Fung Kim-hing; 2. Au Sze-yau; 3. Lam Hoo-ching. Time 63 secs. (Record).
400 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. White House; 3. Blue House. Time 62½ secs.
800 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Cheung Yung-hung; 2. Kwong Yik-hing; 3. Lee Man-yuen. Time 2 mins. 25 secs.
400 Metres, Junior boys Wah Yan, Kowloon.—1. Lam Kwok-leung; 2. Leung Yik-leung. Time 24½ secs.
200 Yds. 1st Grade.—1. Chan Yee-fong; 2. Lai Chung-yin; 3. Tui Wing-tze. Time 23½ secs.
800 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Chan Yee-fong; 2. Hong Wai-chung. Time 2 mins. 30½ secs. (Record).
400 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Fung Kim-hing; 3. Tui Wing-tze. Time 1½ mins.
High Jump, 1st Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Yue Sze-yee; 3. Szeio Ying. Height 5 ft. 3½ ins.
1,500 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Kwong Yik-hing; 2. Cheung Yee-lay; 3. Ho Yee-yin. Time 4½ mins.
High Jump, 2nd Grade.—1. Young Sze-yee; 2. Chan Yee-fong; 3. Hung Wai-chung. Time 23½ secs.
800 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Tui Wing-tze; 3. Wong Yue-kin. Time 24½ secs.
1,200 Metres Relay Race (Open).—1. Blue House. Time 2 mins. 40½ secs.
100 Metres, Handicap, for scouts of 10th I.K. Troop.—1. Lee Hung-bin; 2. Tang Po-tung.
110 Metres Hurdles, 1st Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Young Sze-yee. Time 19½ secs.
Young Middle Hurdles, 1st Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Szeio Ying; 3. Cheung Yee-lay. Time 14½ secs. (Record).
Putting the Weight, 1st Grade.—1. Cheung Yee-lay; 2. Wong Kan-fuk; 3. Cheung Yee-lay. Distance 25 ft. 7 ins. (Record).
100 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Hung Wai-chung; 2. Wong Kan-fuk; 3. Cheung Yee-lay. Time 14½ secs. (Record).
400 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Fung Kim-hing; 2. Au Sze-yau; 3. Lam Hoo-ching. Time 63 secs. (Record).

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 28. Donald Budge has deserted his old doubles partner, Gene Mako, to name Wayne Sabin as the best bet for No. 2 player on the next U.S. Davis Cup team.

Budge, here for a match with Ellsworth Vines in their tour to decide the national professional championship, pointed to Sabin's clean sweep of Florida tournaments this winter as the basis for the slender Los Angeles netman's claims for Davis Cup consideration.

In the four tournaments he won in Florida, Sabin trounced Mako three times in the finals.

Budge and Vines agreed that Bobby Riggs of Chicago virtually was a cinch for the No. 1 post on the American Davis Cup team. Budge believes that Riggs was the best amateur in the United States and probably in the world.

Jack Bromwich, the Australian who outwings with either hand and often was named by Budge as probably second to Riggs among the world's simon-pure netmen. Budge and Vines mentioned Bryan (Bitty) Grant of Atlanta and Frankie Parker of Spring Lake, N.J., as Davis Cup possibilities in the event Sabin's name does not hold up in spring tournaments.—United Press.

Putting the Weight, 2nd Grade.—1. Wong Yue-nin; 2. Young Sze-yee; 3. Chan Yee-fong. Distance 17 ft. 6 ins. (Record).
Invitation Relay Race.—La Salle College. Time 2 mins. 44½ secs.
400 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. S. C. A. A.—1. Mak Siu-hung; 2. Wong Pak-tong. Time 60½ secs.
400 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. Green House; 2. Black House; 3. White House. Time 61½ secs.
Blue House, Time 61½ secs.
400 Metres, 1st Grade.—1. Rev. D. Donnelly; 2. Rev. R. W. Gallagher. Time 61½ secs.
400 Metres, 2nd Grade.—1. White House; 2. Black House; 3. Blue House. Time 61½ secs.

POSTPONED MEETING

St. Stephen's College Conclude Annual Sports at Stanley

The Group Championship of the St. Stephen's College Sports was won by the Dragons yesterday afternoon, when the continuation of the sports was held at Stanley. The Senior Championship cup was won by Lou Yiu-shon, and the Junior by Liu Yin-shon.

The prizes were distributed in the Hall by Mrs. W. S. New. The winners of the events were as follows: Pole Vault.—1. Kwok Chi-hung; 2. Lay Tse-wai; 3. Han Tam-tai; 4. Alex Chang.
Junior 110 Metres Low Hurdles.—1. Li Yiu-shun; 2. Wong Hung-hung.
Senior 110 Metres High Hurdles.—1. Lo Kuo-chen; 2. Ng Wei-wah; 3. Maurice Chang; 4. Kwok Chi-hung.
Small Boys Three-Legged Race.—1. Owen Hang-shing; 2. Mo Chu-ling; 3. Lay Tse-wai; 4. Han Tam-tai; 5. Alex Chang.
Group Relay Race.—1. Bull; 2. Dragon; 3. Tiger.
Senior Boys High Jump.—1. Wong Ding-kin; 2. Tan Yoo-chai; 3. Owen Hang-shing and (tied).
Senior 100 Metres.—1. Chan Yue-lau; 2. Dark Fat; 3. Wong Wah-chow.
500 Metres.—1. Lau Kiang-kho; 2. Lo Kuo-chen; 3. Alex Chan.

OUR SPELLING: BEE (see page 7) squiffous—follicle—sedentary—saigneur—selsmograph—ammoniated

CRICKET FIXTURES REARRANGED

With the programme spoiled by rain last week-end, the Hongkong Cricket League Committee have rearranged the remaining League matches as follows:

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

First Division
Hongkong C.C. v. C.C.C.

Club de Recreio v. Royal Navy

Second Division
C.C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

C.C.S.S. v. Club de Recreio

University v. Army

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

First Division
C.S.C.C. v. Army

Second Division
Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Indian R.C. v. Club de Recreio

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Second Division
Royal Navy v. University

The League Committee have had no time to consult the various clubs regarding these fixtures, but they hope the clubs will co-operate by agreeing with the dates arranged. Those who cannot be asked to communicate with Mr. A. H. Madar, Hon. Secretary of the League, as soon as they can.

Hongkong C.C. Teams
The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. in League cricket matches against the Cranfengower C.C. on Saturday:
1st XI (Home).—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), H. D. Bidwell, D. S. Blake, D. Bryan-Gower, J. H. Fox, J. L. Hiley, L. D. Kilbey, W. G. New, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and L. T. Ride.
2nd XI (Away).—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), A. C. Beck, C. W. E. Bishop, V. C. Bond, N. P. Fox, H. J. D. Lowe, A. K. Mackenzie, D. O. Parsons, J. E. Potter, D. S. Robb and C. M. Stark.

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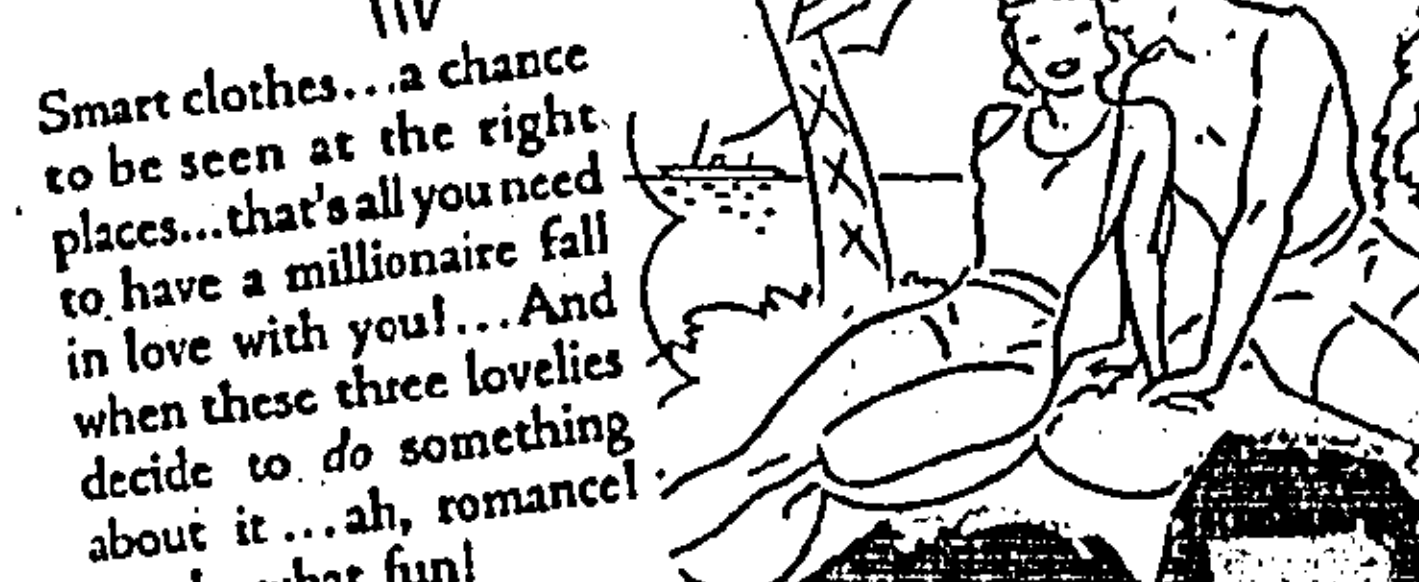
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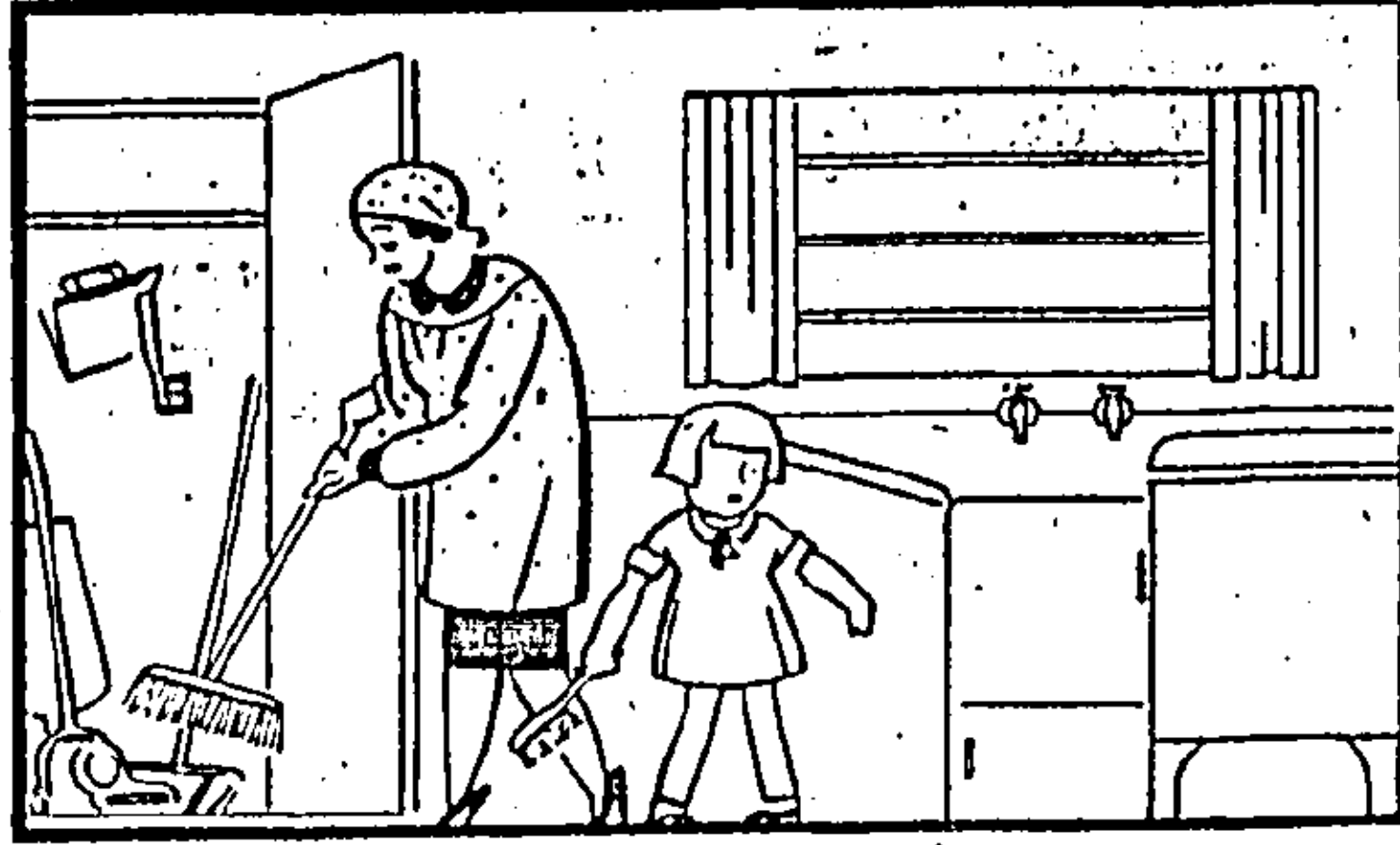
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Preparing for the Spring Clean



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- * Take note of mattresses and sagging springs which need attention.
- * Father will like to be consulted about the new curtains.
- * Most important! See that equipment is in good order.

LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrups of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the boggy it used to be.

It's as if, when all the polishing and painting, soap-sudsing and scrubbing have been done and everything is shining like a new pin, we have really pushed Old Man Winter back into his place and the sunshine has come into its own once more.

Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

little advance planning will save the house being turned upside down when the campaign starts.

Discomfort at home, even in a good case, has a bad effect on temper of husband and family. The housewife herself gets less tired if she has everything worked out in advance and can take the spring clean in her stride.

Newly Wed

I was married last summer, so am new to housekeeping. Can you help me to work out a spring cleaning programme?—Coventry.

DECIDE first what decorating or repairs are necessary and get these done before you start on the spring clean. Also arrange for the sweep in good time.

You can save yourself trouble if you make out a list of repairs, and another of cleaning materials and any mops or dusters to be bought.

I spread the spring clean over a fortnight, leaving one weekday and Saturday and Sunday clear in each week for "breathing space."

This arrangement would enable you to do the three bedrooms, bathroom and landing in the first week; living room, dining-room, kitchen and hall in the second week. Work from the top of the house downwards.

Treatment for Tapestry

Is it possible to clean tapestry upholstery at home?—Motherwell.

HOT bran is good for general cleaning, but there is also a carpet shampoo which can be used on

Wear Blues, Oranges As New Colours

New York. As a compliment to the New York World's Fair, French and English designs are playing up blues and oranges, drawn from the blue and orange of the New York State flag. The blue strikes a new colour note in fine mesh linens; orange is smart in mixed tweeds. Plaid and striped taffetas keyed up to orange are advanced for evening wear, these being given more importance than those keyed up to the blue.

Selection of just the right cast and intensity of contrasting colour to combine with a selected costume shade will be important this spring. An example this year is found in the wide variety of yellows which have been brought forward to use with black, and various shades of navy. As reported previously, slightly greenish tones of yellow are favoured to combine with black. But gold and the more subtle wheat yellow are used with the light navy which the exclusive costume houses are showing.

Returning from Europe with new ideas for spring, millinery representatives single out "cognac" as a new colour in straw. This shade is described as a golden cast of light brown. It is recommended for its novelty, and suggested for individual emphasis.

Skirts are still swirling, flaring, flowing. If there was any suspicion that the world of American fashions was tired of the spreading skirt and bantered after a narrow line, current New York fashion tipsters dispel the idea. Fullness all around, voluminous rippling width, front fullness, back flares, loose pleats, gathers, and newest of all—side fullness. Were fullness over the hips at either side, with enough fullness to widen the silhouette and leave the front and back flat. It's a formal fashion.

wooden shelf with rounded or square corners, and the metal curtain runner is fixed to the underside.

The finished pelmet is tacked along the front edge of the board.

Spare Room

We want to turn our third bedroom into a spare room. It is furnished with oddments: mahogany wardrobe, cane armchair, oak washstand and dinan. I have some green linoleum. Any suggestions?

START by distemping walls and ceiling soft apricot pink and paint the woodwork pale apple green. Leave the wardrobe its present mahogany colour or enamel it to match the woodwork. Take the back off the washstand, cover the top with plywood and drape it with a chintz or cretonne petticoat for a dressing table.

Pelmet v. Frills

I want to change from frills to pelmets with my new curtains. How do I fix them?—Fareham.

HAVE a pelmet board fitted to each window. It is a simple



With a greater than ever Spring suit season heralded for 1939, one can't possibly have too many blouses. One of the smartest is this crisp hand-made lingerie blouse of self printed organdy from Paris. Note the new fitted collar with its tiny narrow lace trimmed edge to add to its fresh daintiness.

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Brush Hair For Beauty

THERE is beauty in your hair. Bring it out with vigorous brushing and proper care. Now that the up and down controversy appears settled, you can concentrate on the thing that really matters—the health and texture of your topknot. Whether your hair is shining and silky or stringy and dull depends on the attention you give it—not on your latest haircut or a recent permanent.

Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person it adorns, so if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and brushed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

Check Your Health

Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, anemia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and falling hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected, you will see an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

In the majority of cases, however, sensible living, regular shampoos, an occasional oil treatment (even for oily hair) and 10 minutes of brushing night and morning with a clean brush will bring about a miraculous change.

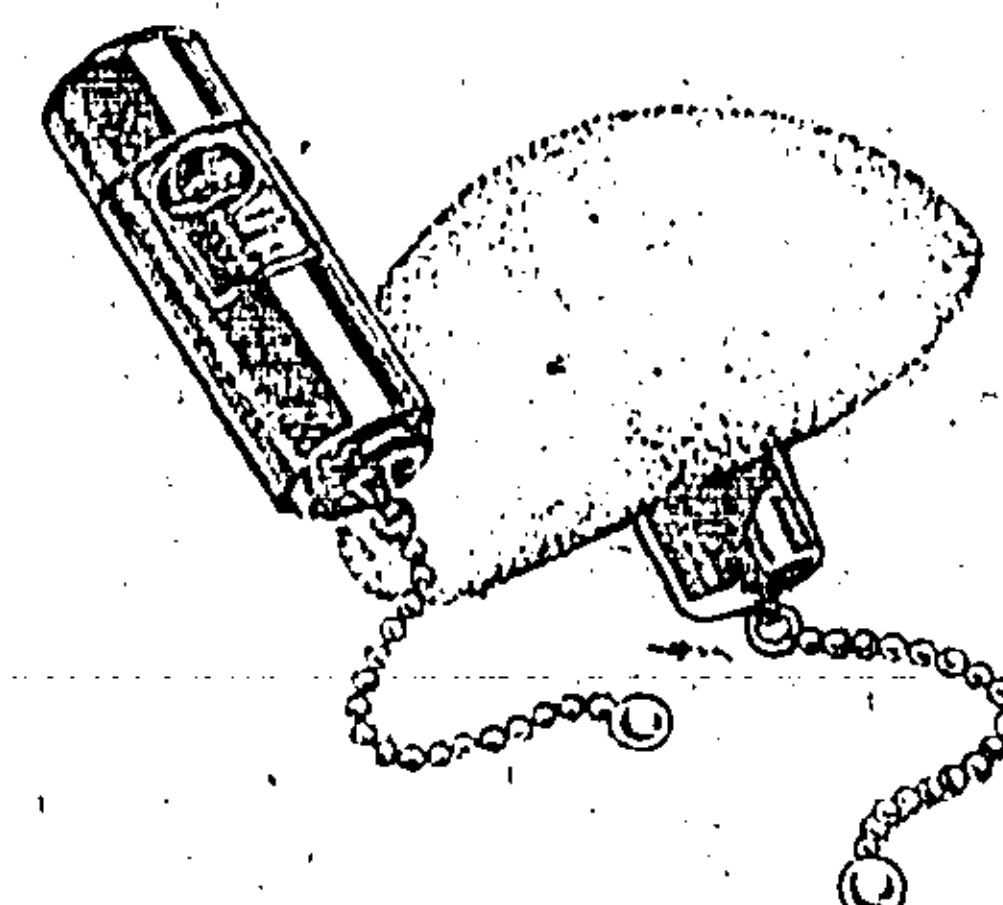
Perhaps the main reason for brushing your hair is cleanliness. First, brush the back of your head from the hairline to the crown to stimulate the circulation. When the scalp has a warm, tingling sensation, go over the entire head. Begin at the middle of the back and, separating the hair into one-inch strands, brush each one with brisk upward strokes. After each third, lightning-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by fluffing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to air the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curls upward or back in the direction they should go, and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily

Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapsuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry the brush, bristles downward, on a Turkish towel.

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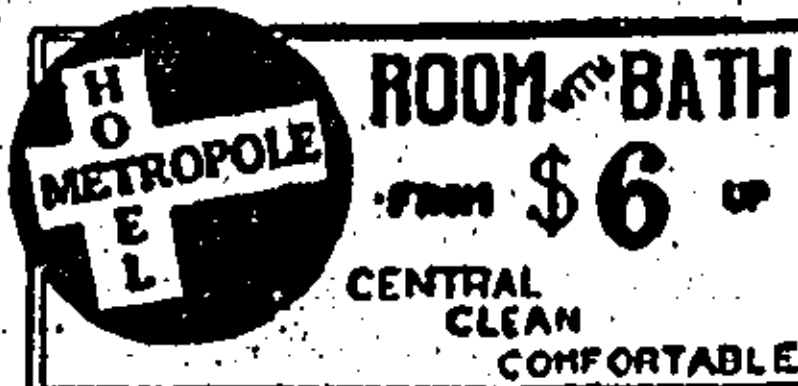
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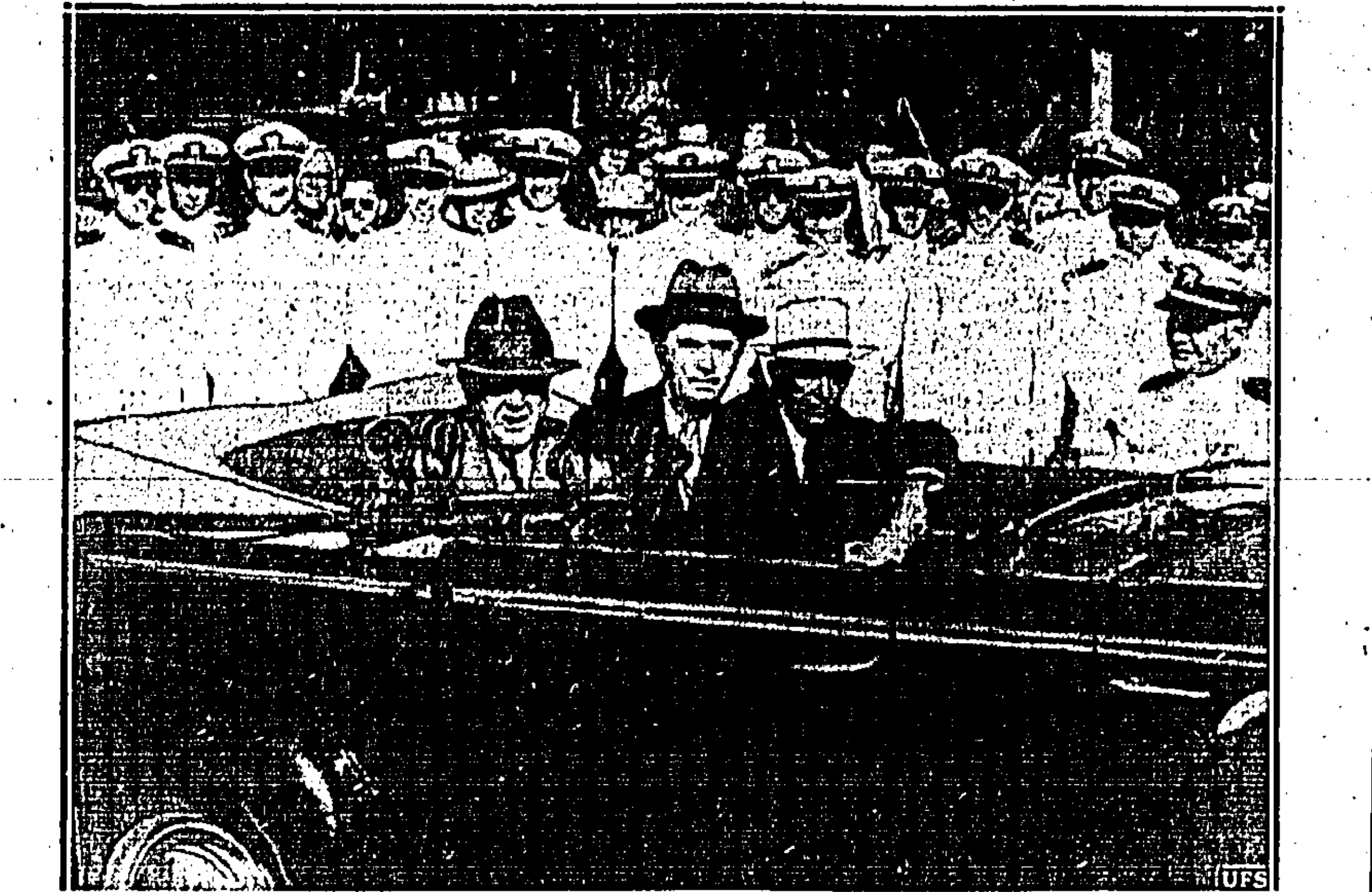
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Safely recovered from a recent serious illness, Senator William E. Borah, Republican of Idaho, is back at work at his desk in the Senate Office building, Washington. He is dean of the Senate.



Ill with malaria and bleeding from a cut on the forehead, Alex Henshaw, 24, British airman, is given a hero's welcome at Gravesend, England, after a record-breaking flight to Cape Town and back in 4 1/2 days.



Miss Peggy LeBaron of New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft of Denver, Colo., wears this seersucker plaid check playsuit at Palm Beach, Fla. Blue is the dominant colour.



This rare picture shows General Francisco Franco, victorious insurgent commander in Spain, as a cadet at the Spanish Infantry Academy at Toledo. He was then about 14 years old.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:
The market continues steady, but the turnover was on a restricted scale due to holders being reluctant to deal at quoted prices. Banks changed hands at \$1.385. Docks at \$16.60, and Cements at \$13 1/4.

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H.K. Lands \$7
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H.K. Lands \$7
Cements \$13 1/4
Daily Farm (Rights) \$15 1/2
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The Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club will be holding a Cabaret Supper Dance in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday, April 1, from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. An excellent cabaret is promised. Tickets are \$3.50 double and \$2 single, and may be purchased at the Y.M.C.A. Only a limited number are available. Table reservations should be made at the Y.M.C.A.

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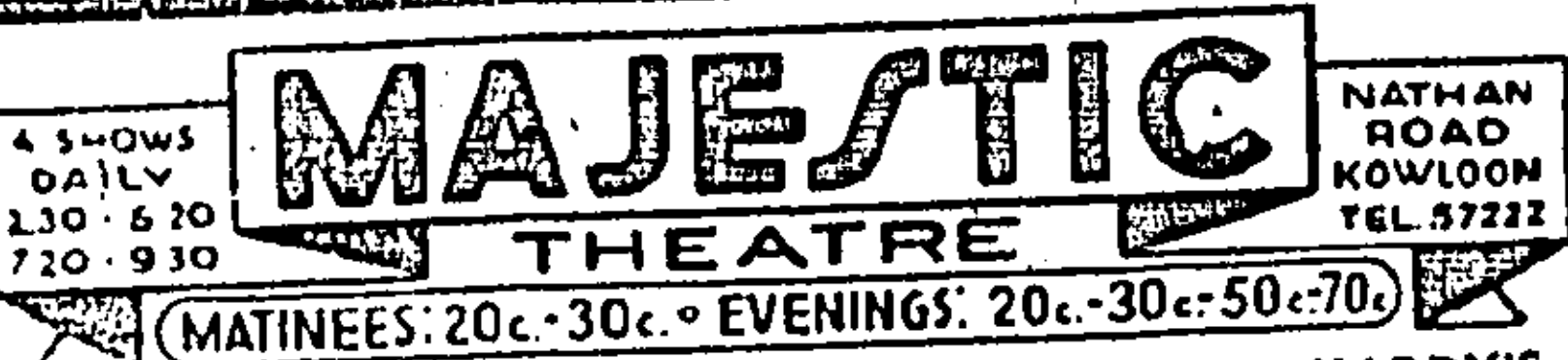


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DOMESTIC RIFT

Wife's Summons Against Her Husband

The hearing of a summons for assault, brought by So On-ping against her husband, Lau Kwan-yum, described as the Principal of the International Correspondence School, was continued before Mr. E. Himmeworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The case has aroused much interest among the Chinese community, and a large number of spectators were in Court yesterday.

The couple were married in 1924, when defendant was employed as a teacher at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and complainant was a teacher in the Italian Convent. According to the wife's story, shortly after they were married, she opened the Chee Yin Girls' School in Kowloon in order to help her husband, as his salary was insufficient to keep them.

Some ten years later, complainant engaged a woman teacher to assist her, and her husband became infatuated with the teacher. From that time there was trouble between husband and wife, culminating eventually in the former moving out and establishing his own school in Kowloon. The defendant took the woman teacher with him. He had demanded a divorce from his wife from time to time, but she had refused to give it to him.

On February 23 this year, complainant returned to her school, and found several signboards erected over her own. These bore the name "Kwan Yum Evening School." Complainant ordered them to be removed, and her husband appeared on the scene, struck her violently over the head, blackening her eyes, and also caused bruises on her body.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau represented complainant, while Mr. M. A. du Silva appeared for defendant.

Mr. Silva continued his cross-examination of complainant yesterday. She denied that her mother had ever borrowed money from defendant. He had not given her \$700 to buy clothes and other things at the time of their marriage. The school certificates were all written by complainant herself, although she admitted that defendant had assisted her. She denied having transferred the woman teacher, Chau Sai-lung, to defendant's school of her own accord. Her husband had asked her to transfer Chau, and she had consented to do so.

Questioned regarding a sum of \$900 mentioned in a letter written by herself to defendant, complainant said that the money had been loaned to defendant, and the letter was a request for it to be returned.

Man Friend Mentioned

She denied she knew a man named Fung Kai-suen. Asked regarding a letter, which was produced, complainant denied she had written it because her husband had discovered several letters that had been written to her, and a draft of one written by herself. She had written the letter merely because she felt that she had done wrong, since she had sacrificed such a lot.

Shown several other letters alleged to have been written by her, complainant denied they were written by her, and alleged that her husband was capable of forging her handwriting.

Mr. Silva: Are you aware that these letters indicate that you mis-conducted yourself with a man named Fung Kai-suen?

Complainant: You can say anything you like.

Who paid for your education before your marriage?—My mother has plenty of money.

Did she pay?—Yes.

I put it to you that your story is a false one in that you allege your husband assaulted you by attacking you in the first instance?—I say that all my husband says is false.

Complainant's mother, So Wong-sze, was called next. She said that at the time of defendant's marriage to her daughter, he had little means. She had never heard of him buying jewellery for her. When their wedding took place, witness had given her daughter some jewellery.

She denied she had borrowed money from defendant prior to the marriage.

The Chee Yin Girls' School was opened in January, 1925, a month after complainant and defendant had married. It was opened in order to assist the defendant, whose income at the time was small. Witness put up a capital of \$1,200 for the school. She had heard of her daughter complaining that defendant had ill-treated her.

On February 23 last, she said, she had gone for a walk with complainant. They returned to the school at 591 Nathan Road about 7 p.m., and saw three signboards had been erected over the school's original one. After speaking to the servant, complainant hired a street coolie, who, assisted by the servant, began taking the three signboards down. When two had been taken down, defendant appeared on the scene and struck complainant about the head, causing her to faint. He also kicked her in the abdomen as she lay on the pavement.

Given Black Eyes

Witness and the servant shouted for help, and a rickshaw was engaged and complainant sent to Yau-mati police station, accompanied by the servant. The complainant's eyes were black and swollen. She returned home from the police station about 11 p.m. Witness said she positively identified defendant as the assailant.

Cross-examined by Mr. Silva, witness denied she knew a man named Fung Kai-suen. She did not know if her daughter knew such a man.

Mr. Silva: You don't know a man named Fung Kai-suen who asked for your daughter's hand in marriage?

Witness: I have heard of him for her hand in marriage. How can I remember them all?

There may have been a man named Fung Kai-suen?—I don't know.

In your daughter sweet tempered, mild tempered or bad tempered?—She has a good temper. All the family are good tempered.

Have you ever witnessed your daughter losing her temper and attacking anybody?—No such thing has happened.

Have you ever seen her losing her temper?—No.

Further questioned, witness said her daughter was very angry when she saw the signboards. It was probable that she was also angry with defendant.

Mr. Silva: I suggest that when your daughter's husband appeared, she became more angry?

Witness: Yes.

She became so angry that she forgot herself and attacked him with her hands and feet?—No. She is so small and he is a big man.

I put it to you that her husband on this occasion, hit her all over the head and kicked her when she lay on the ground?—He did.

What actually happened was that she attacked him, and he pushed her away, and she, wearing high-heeled shoes, fell to the ground?—No, he suddenly attacked her.

When your daughter was on the ground, did her husband kick her very hard?—He used a great deal of force.

How many kicks did he deliver approximately?—He continuously kicked her.

Servant's Evidence

The servant, Yeung Shun, said that about 5 p.m. on February 23, four or five men came to the school and erected the signboards, which they said were for an evening school.

The complainant returned about 7 p.m. with her mother, and after seeing the signs, fetched a street coolie. Witness helped him to take the signboards down. Defendant appeared and struck complainant about the head with his fists. She fainted, and he kicked while she was on the ground. Witness later helped complainant to the police station and to see a doctor.

Cross-examined by Mr. Silva, witness said that during the two months she had been in complainant's employment, she had found her mistress good tempered. She did not see complainant attacking defendant on February 23.

Mr. Lau said that her evidence concluded his case, unless some of the doctors the complainant had consulted could be called as witnesses. Two were reluctant to appear, as the proceedings were in a police court, and the others charged a fee which was more than his client could afford.

Mr. Silva said he had no objection to an adjournment for the doctors to be subpoenaed as witnesses.

The hearing was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. on April 12.

SLOVAKS TAKE PRECAUTIONS

(Continued from Page 1.)

to the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" even as early as September 26, nine days before the Munich agreement.

Continuing, Lord Cecil said that "the actions of the present German administration on several occasions show that they accept the traditional German view on such matters."

Lord Cecil forewarned: "Submission, therefore, to Herr Hitler means the extinction of Czechoslovak independence."

"It means the breach of our treaty pledges on the subject."

"It means a great increase in the prestige of the Nazi Government, and a corresponding diminution of that of this country."

"Above all, it means acceptance of the view that the only thing that counts in international affairs is brute force, and that the hope of substituting for it reason and justice must be definitely abandoned."

Central News.

BRUCE TO RETURN TO LONDON

Melbourne, Mar. 29.

Mr. Joseph A. Lyons to-day announced that Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner to London, should return to London immediately. He is sailing from Sydney on Friday.

The presence of Mr. Bruce in London during the present political tension is deemed to be desirable.

Reuter.

HONGKONG REFUGEES

Latest Position in The Government Camps

The numbers of refugees and destitutes accommodated in Government Camps in urban and rural areas are given officially as follows:

In urban areas, civilians—King's Park 1,489 for the week ending March 25 as compared with 1,511 on March 18; Matalung 1,040 as compared with 1,065; North Point 1,652 as compared with 1,645.

In urban areas, soldiers.—In Lalausk Hospital (Upper Ward) 27 on March 25, same number on March 18; and Matalung 771, same number on March 18.

In rural areas.—At Kam Tin 3,321 on March 25 as compared with 2,988 on March 18; Fanling, North 815 on March 25 as compared with 827; Fanling, South 1,002 as compared with 1,011; Gill's Cutting 650 as compared with 676 and Man Kam To 1,147 as compared with 1,160.

The total for March 25 was 11,029, as compared with 11,711 on March 18.

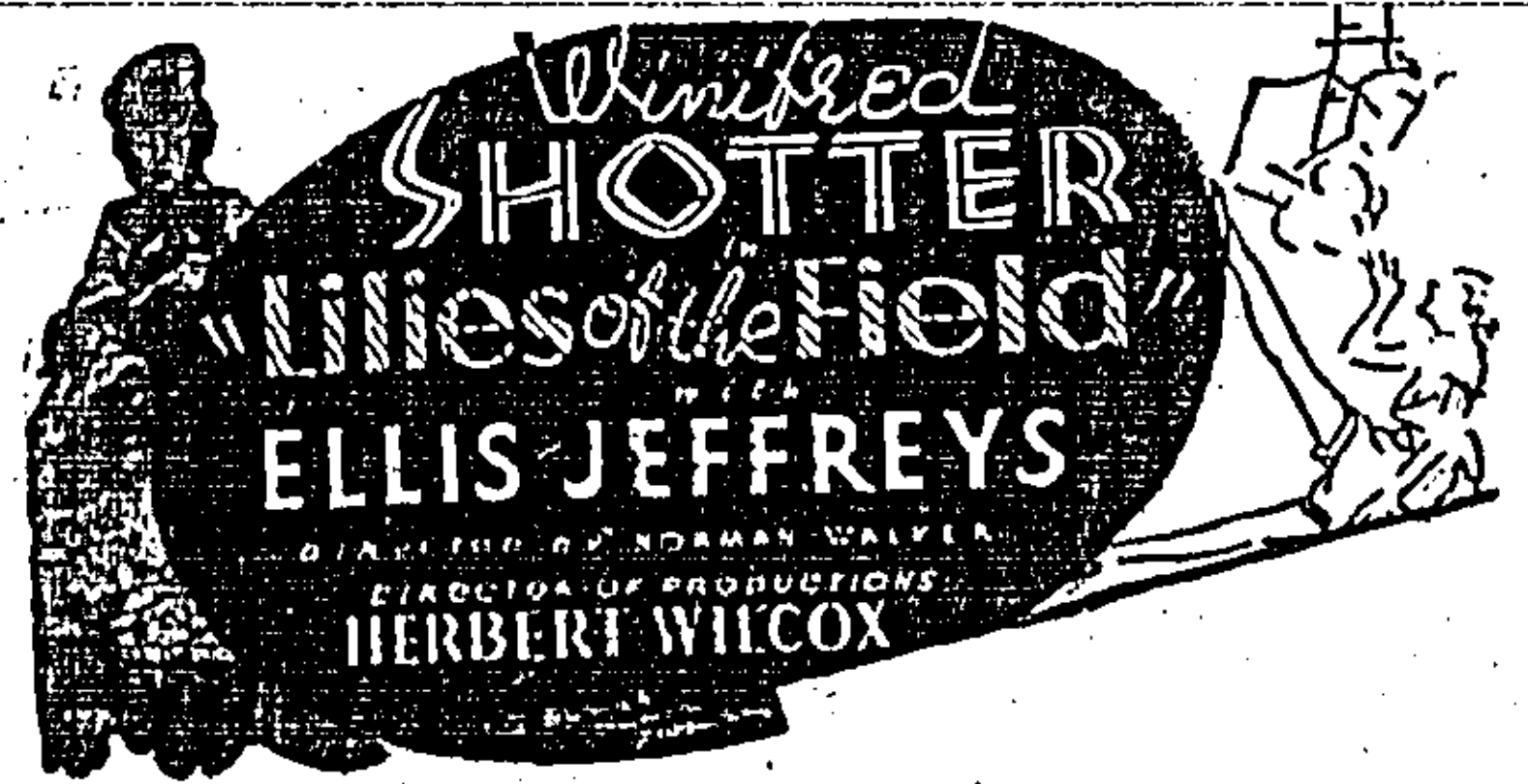
LANCASHIRE LEAVES

The troopship Lancashire left Hongkong for Southampton via ports yesterday afternoon with about 100 military and over four hundred naval details and families.

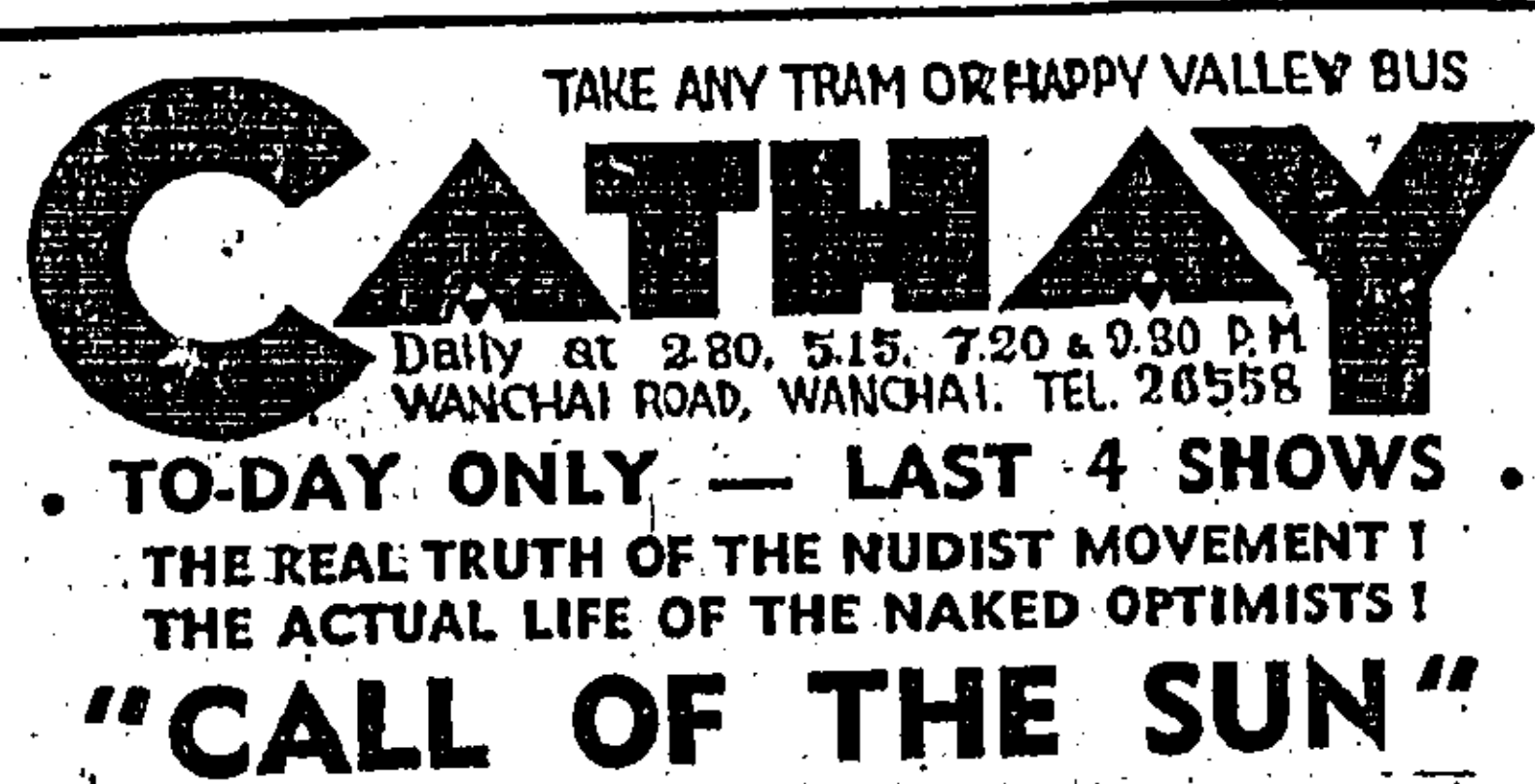
The names of officers leaving on the Lancashire have already been published.



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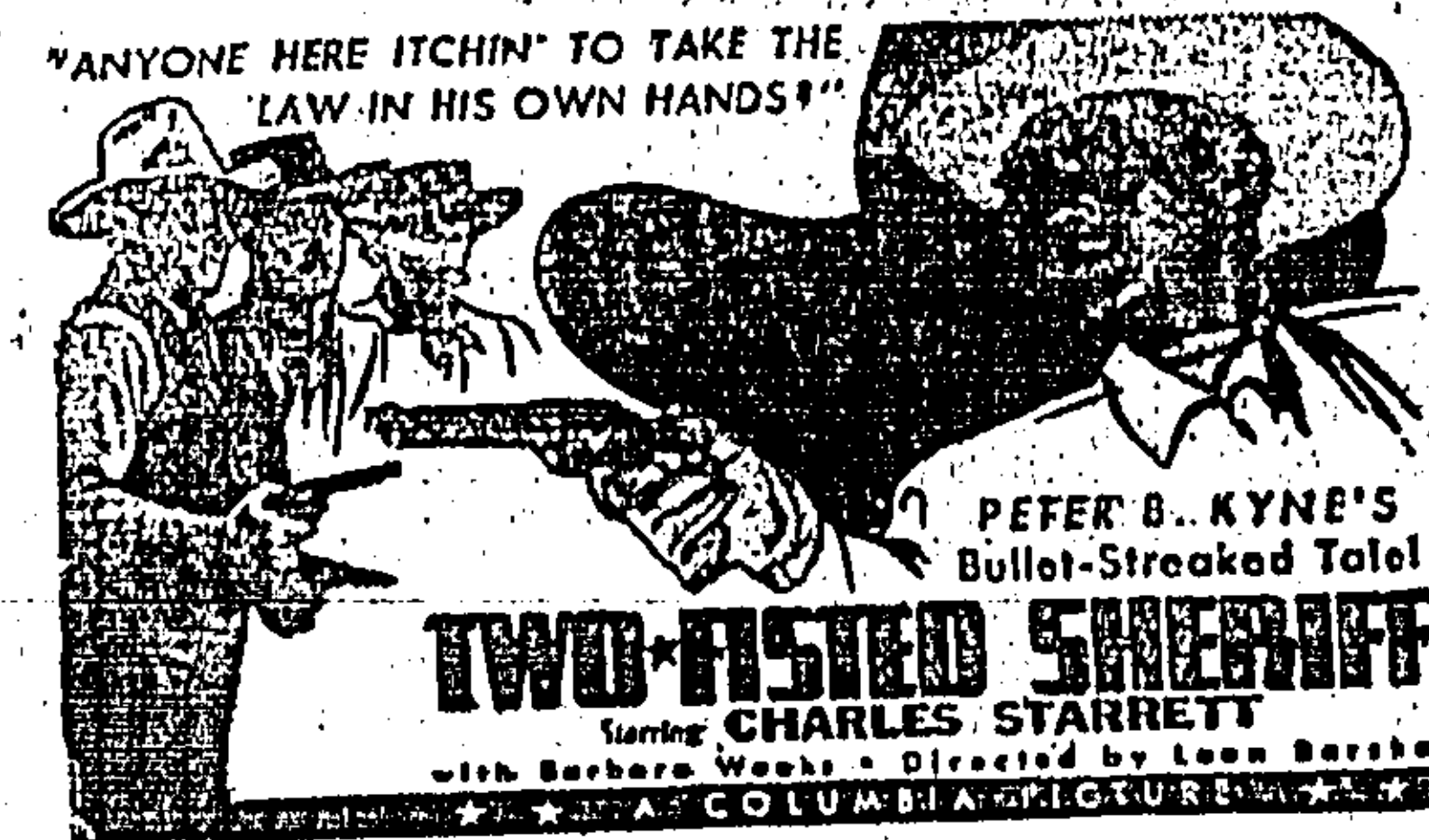


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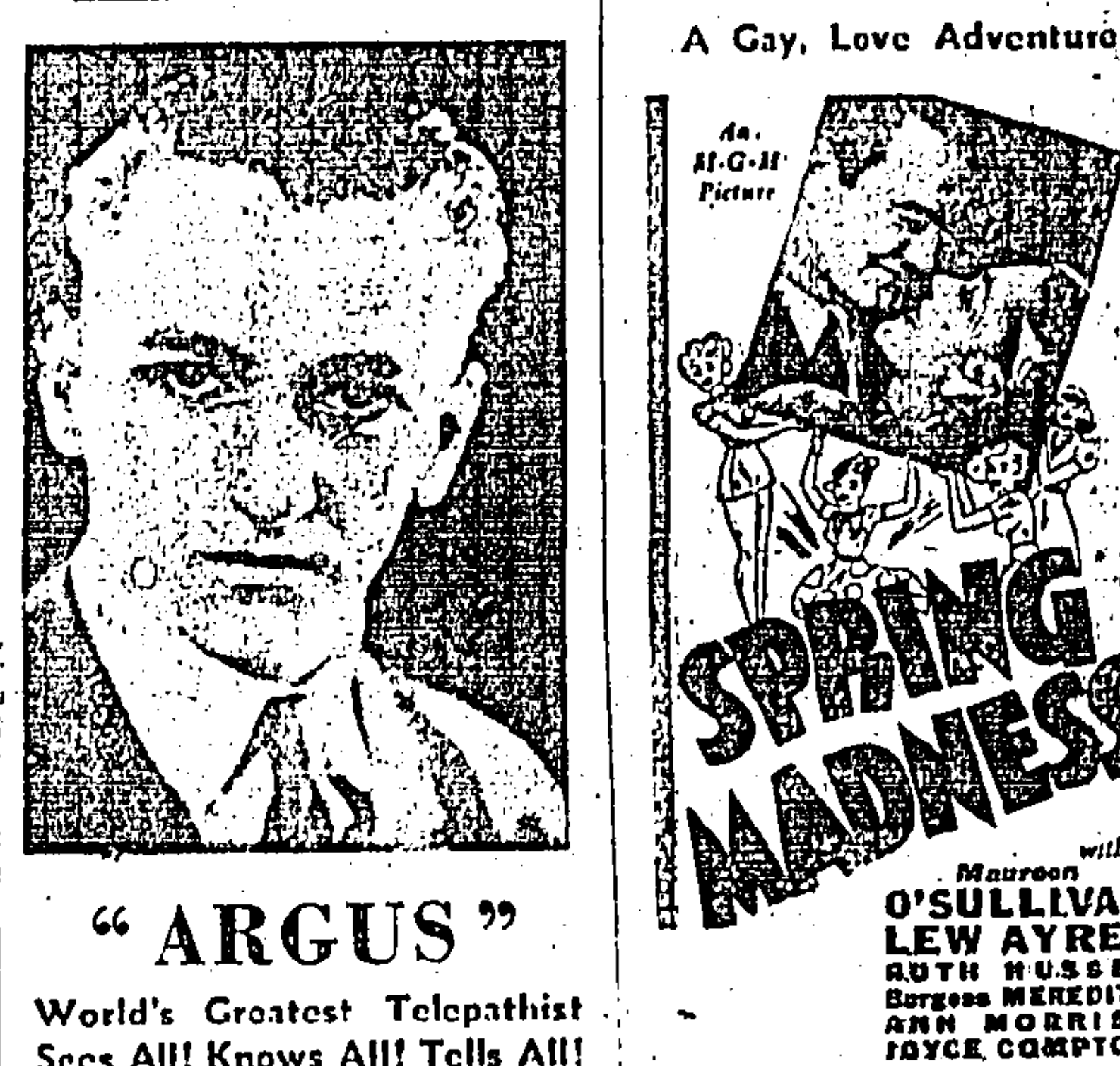
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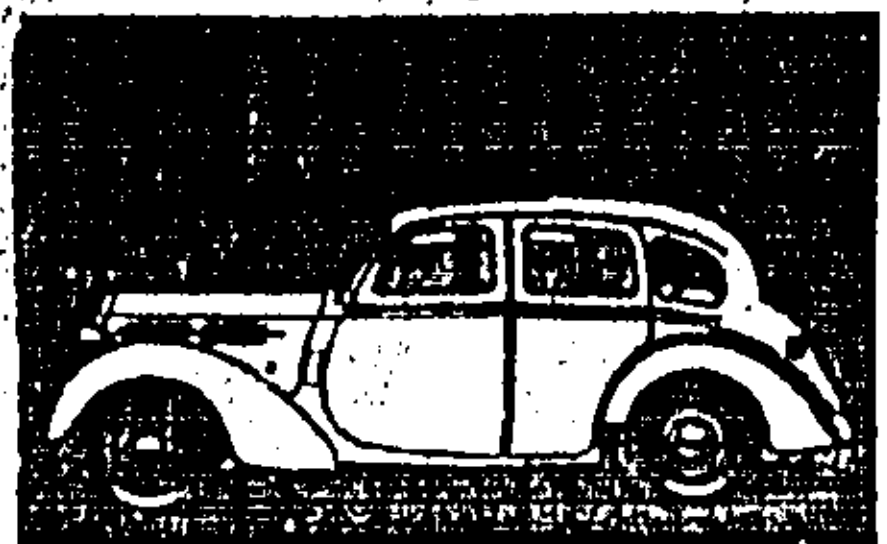
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NEW GERMAN MOVE AWAKENS FRESH FEARS

"The Danzig problem must be settled."

"Germany is shocked at the increased anti-Reich activities in Poland."

This is the type of semi-official statements issued in Berlin to foreign newspaper correspondents.

The sudden German propaganda campaign against Poland is regarded as ominous in diplomatic circles, in view of the parallel it has with previous German coups.

Reports of renewed anti-German rioting in Danzig and Poland evoke surprise everywhere except in Germany.

It is realised that the inspired reports, which are being released exclusively by the official Deutsch News Bureau, are a systematic attempt to undermine German-Polish relations.

No news has reached London of any untoward anti-German incidents, and certainly nothing has happened in either Poland or Danzig to justify the language employed by the D.N.B. Agency.

D.N.B. claims in official statements to foreign press correspondents that Germans are being beaten and threatened by the Poles. But D.N.B. refuses to specify where or when the alleged incidents are taking place.

It is noteworthy that this has been the form of preparation employed by Germany preceding the Austrian, Sudetenland, Czechoslovakian and Memel coups.

The official organ "Political Correspondent" warns that "anti-German acts" by Poland might result in consequences "unfavourable to the future harmonious development of a European area and as harmful to the Polish nation itself."

This utterance is considered as being particularly significant because of the source of the warning.—United Press.

GERMAN TROOPS MOVE

WARSAW, Mar. 29.
RELIABLE REPORTS state that large numbers of German troops are moving into position near Danzig.

It is feared that Germany is commencing the same tactics against Poland as those employed against Czechoslovakia and Lithuania.

It is learned on good authority in Warsaw that the Polish Government has informed Germany that any discussions on the future of Danzig are out of the question.

The Polish Note is also stated to have added that there is no justification for the language used in the Berlin statement to the foreign Press.

From Yugo-Slavia it is reported that anti-German demonstrations are increasingly evident among the Croats.

Text Of German Propaganda

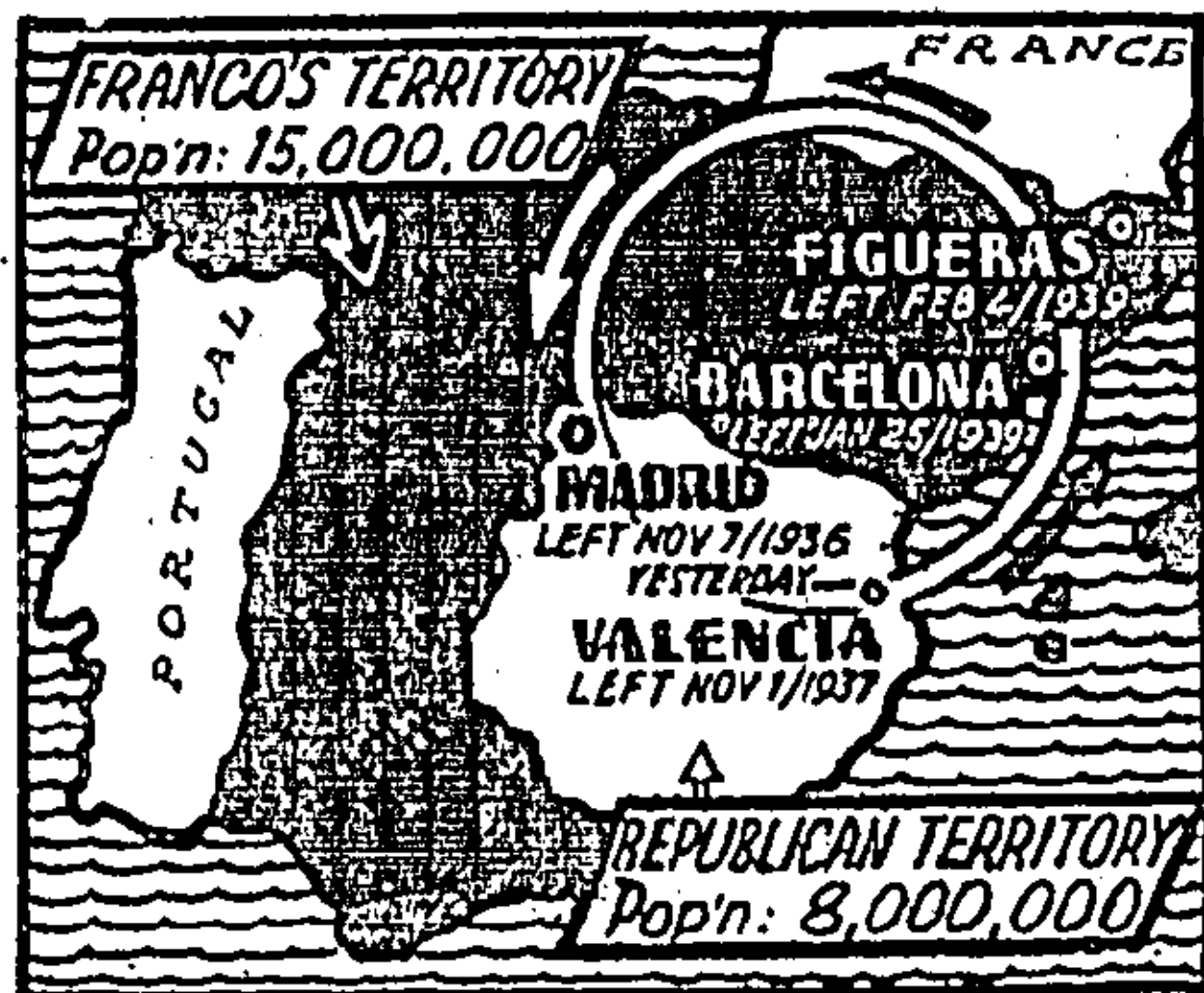
This is the German message, as reported in Hongkong by "Trans-Ocean":
"The increasing number of anti-German demonstrations in Poland (Continued on Page 4.)"

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

LONDON, Mar. 28.
SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"These men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let



Big Subsidy Announced For Tramp Shipping

ANNOUNCING IN the House of Commons an annual subsidy of £2,750,000 for tramp shipping, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade to-day said that the Government also proposed to ask Parliament for £10,000,000 for loans to shipowners over a period of two years for the purpose of building tramps and cargo liners.

SOUTH AFRICA'S £6,000,000 PLAN

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 28.
THE Union Government is hurriedly strengthening South Africa's defences at a cost of £6,000,000, spread over the next three years.

Cape Town is to be made "battleship proof" by mounting 15-inch guns, while Fort Elizabeth and East London—important ports on the Union's 4,000-mile coastline—are to be fortified.

In the air South Africa is building up a force of 750 warplanes, mostly purchased from Britain, and a thousand pilots are in training.

Royal Wedding In Teheran

LONDON, Mar. 28.
The Earl of Athlone, who is representing the King at the civil ceremony in connection with the marriage of the Crown Prince of Iran and Princess Fawzia, sister of King Farouk, is leaving London with Princess Alice on April 1 for Teheran, which they will reach on April 19.—Reuter.

CIVIL WAR COLLAPSES IN SPAIN

Republican Leaders Flee To France

MADRID, Mar. 28.

AFTER NEARLY three years of a "little Great War," which threatened to engulf Europe, the conflict in Spain appears to have ended with the Nationalists' entrance into Madrid which was greeted by nearly a million survivors of the most terrible siege of modern times.

To finish the territorial conquest, there remains merely the cleaning up of a wedge shaped area extending from Eastward southward to the Mediterranean. Other cities have not surrendered formally and unconditionally but their resistance is shattered and the people want peace.

Their soldiers have surrendered by the thousands and their leaders have fled.

General Minja has left for the coast and it is reported that he will board a foreign warship at Valencia.—United Press.

"Viva Franco"

Madrid, Mar. 28.
The surrender of Madrid was announced over the Madrid radio station by a Nationalist announcer who concluded by shouting: "Viva Franco."

The radio station was seized by the Nationalists yesterday morning. A broadcast appeal was launched from all Nationalist stations, appealing to Republicans to surrender to prevent further bloodshed.

The appeal stated: "You can count on General Franco's sense of fair play. When General Franco promises a pardon, he keeps his word. It is useless to resist, and we urge surrender without delay."

Immediately after the entry of Nationalist troops into Madrid to-day, all political prisoners were liberated. They were mostly young (Continued on Page 4.)

Big Shanghai Hotel Deal

Broadway Mansions Changes Hands

TOKYO, March 29.
BROADWAY MANSIONS, the twenty-story skyscraper and largest hotel in Shanghai, changed hands to-day, and the Rising Sun is now flying above the building instead of the Union Jack, which was hauled down to-day.

Broadway Mansions has been purchased by the Shanghai Real Estate Company, subsidiary of the Central China Development Company, a Japanese semi-official concern. The Shanghai Real Estate Company has been chartered under the commercial law of the New Nanking Government.

On the occasion of the first anniversary of the founding of the puppet Government, the Union Jack was hauled down and the Rising Sun hoisted as the band played the Japanese national anthem.—Domet.

World Wheat Production

CANBERRA, Mar. 29.
The world production of wheat this year is estimated at 1,100,000,000 bushels.
This is about double the quantity required for consumption.

A PRINCE TOOK THIS PHOTO



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Grindelwald, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Juliana and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Juliana is expecting a second child in August.

EUROPE'S WAR FEVER

Slovaks Take Precautions

BRATISLAVA,
Mar. 28.

SLOVAKIA IS preparing for both peace and war.

While the Foreign Ministry directs peace negotiations by sending a Slovak delegation to Budapest in an effort to obtain peaceful withdrawal of Hungarian troops from the part of East Slovakia occupied on March 23, the National Defence Ministry has begun the task of assigning five classes of reserve officers and military, aviation and anti-aircraft forces to posts they must fill should peace negotiations at Budapest break down.—United Press.

New Lithuanian Government
KAUNAS, Mar. 28.

A NEW LITHUANIAN Government has been formed under General Cernius.

Generally speaking, the new Government is semi-military, as there are three other Generals in the Cabinet, and it is a non-party Government.

The new Cabinet will present itself to Parliament this evening.—Reuter.

Germany's "Tradition"

"It is unnecessary to accuse Germany of perfidy."
"Not only the Nazi Government, but all previous German Governments, from the time Frederick the Great downwards, have made their position perfectly clear. To then an international assurance is no more than a statement of present intention. It has no absolute validity for the future."

Thus Lord Cecil, President of the International Peace Campaign, wrote (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

POLAND MOBILISES MILLION

"Trans-Ocean" Report
From Warsaw

Paris, Mar. 28.
Extraordinary Polish military precautions, amounting to a partial mobilisation, are reported by the "Ce Soir" in a report from Warsaw this evening.

The paper declares that in course of the last four days, 750,000 reservists were called to the colours. In addition to the 300,000 men called up last week.

Thus Poland has now mobilised more than one million men. In addition, Poland is taking steps which will bring industry on a war-time footing.—Trans-Ocean.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Neutrality Legislation

New Bill Goes To Senate

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.
SENATORS NYE, Bone, Bennett and Clark to-day jointly introduced the amendment to the Neutrality Law.

The amendment would make the cash and carry features mandatory instead of discretionary, and extend them to include any materials instead of only munitions.

It would also empower either Congress by resolution or the President by proclamation to announce the existence of a state of war abroad, instead of limiting such action only to a presidential proclamation.

The amendment has been referred to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.—United Press.

Australia Plans Indian Ocean Aerial Survey

CANBERRA, Mar. 28.

BECAUSE SINGAPORE may prove the Achilles heel in the existing air route between Australia and Great Britain, the Australian Government has decided to survey a new trans-oceanic route.

MINERALS SCANDAL

French Shipments To Germany

PARIS, Mar. 28.

A DEMAND that France should immediately cease big-scale shipments to Germany of minerals which are indispensable in the manufacture of armaments, was made in the morning paper here "Le Ordre."

The newspaper charges that the shipments are "permanent treason."

It reports that during 1938 France shipped to Germany an average of half a million tons of minerals monthly. "This ore from Lorraine crosses the Rhine with the possibility of coming back to us sooner or later in the form of shells and shrapnel," the paper says.

According to the "Ordre," France is furnishing Germany with bauxite, which is not only used in the composition of certain metals but is also used by the Germans as part of an explosive in certain bombs.

Since 1935, the paper asserts, shipments of bauxite averaged approximately 80,000 tons yearly.

"In the present stage of Hitler's expansion it can be said that these shipments are permanent treason, for there is nothing to prevent the Maginot line one day being crushed under attacks by planes built with French iron ore," the paper said.—United Press.

Italians Arrested

CAIRO, Mar. 28.
It is understood that 20 Italian labourers employed in the Aswan quarries of the vital Nile Dam have been arrested on suspicion of espionage. They have been brought to Cairo under military guard.—United Press.

PEIPING, Mar. 28.—Three members of the Provisional Government of Peiping have gone to Nanking to participate in the United Council of the Provisional Reformed Government.—Reuter.

FRENCH SHIP SEIZED

TANGERS, Mar. 28.—An unknown warship is reported to have seized a French vessel near Cape San Antonio.—Reuter.

More French Sailors

British Navy To Abolish Flogging

PARIS, Mar. 28.

IT IS REPORTED that French naval effectiveness will be increased from 74,900 to 77,500, and recruiting for the extra men will begin immediately.

Another report states that M. Daladier will broadcast to the nation at 7.45 p.m. on March 29. He is expected to make some reference to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday last.

From London comes the report that the Admiralty has asked the Government to abolish flogging in the navy. Nowadays it is only retained in peace time for mutiny and allied offences. Flogging is not inflicted in the army and air force.—Reuter Special.

Joan Forgot Her Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 28.
JOAN CRAWFORD, famed film star, failed to obtain a divorce from her husband, Francis T. Jones, another prominent film actor, which she filed last month, because she was not present to-day in court when the suit came up for hearing.

The judge set April 18 as the new date for the hearing.—Reuter.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER'S ALLEGATION OF FALSE IMPRISONMENT

Jenkins v. Shelley And Another

MR. JUSTICE HALLETT recently gave judgment in the High Court of Judgment for the defendants in the action, in which Mr. Eric John Arnold Jenkins, an engine-room artificer, 4th class, with rating as a chief petty officer in the Royal Navy, of H.M.S. Curacao, claimed damages for alleged false imprisonment from Captain Richard Shelley, commanding the Curacao, and the Earl of Cork and Orrery, Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.

Mr. Jenkins complained that on January 22, 1938, Captain Shelley, with the knowledge of and by the authority of Lord Cork and Orrery, caused him, without lawful justification, to be assaulted and falsely imprisoned for a period of 30 days in the naval detention quarters at Portsmouth and that as a result he had been brought into public scandal and odium.

By their defence the defendants said that Captain Shelley, with the approval of Lord Cork and Orrery, sentenced Mr. Jenkins to 42 days' detention because he had been guilty of highly insubordinate conduct in disobeying the lawful command of his superior officer. The defendants denied that in so detaining the plaintiff they acted without lawful justification, and they relied on the provisions of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions.

It was stated that in January, 1938, shortly before 8.15 a.m., Chief Engine Room Artificer, Mauger, the plaintiff's superior officer, entered the engine-room artificers' mess and gave the usual order to begin work, using some such words as "Come along, lads, turn to." A few minutes later Mauger found that every one had left the mess except a stoker and the plaintiff. Mauger said to the plaintiff, "Turn to, Jenkins." The plaintiff then got up and said in the presence of the stoker, some such words as "Well, it has got to come at last, chief. I am not going to do any more work for the Admiralty. Will you tell the senior engineer when you go along?"

As a result of that occurrence a charge was made against the plaintiff, alleging that he "did wilfully disobey the lawful command of his superior officer when ordered to turn to at 8.15," and he was ordered by Captain Shelley to be kept in detention in the Portsmouth Naval Detention Quarters for 42 days, the punishment warrant being signed also by Lord Cork and Orrery as Commander-in-Chief. The plaintiff, in fact, served 30 days in detention, having received a remission of six days for good conduct.

The question, it was said, was whether in the circumstances the offence with which the plaintiff was charged was one which could be dealt with summarily or one which must be tried by Court-martial.

Section 17 of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, provides as follows: "Every person in this Act who shall wilfully disobey any lawful command of his superior officer, or shall use threatening or insulting language, or behave with contempt to his superior officer, shall be punished with dismissal with disgrace from his Majesty's service, or suffer such other punishment as is hereinafter mentioned."

Under that Act an offence under section 17 could be punished by 42 days' detention, and might, subject to the regulations issued by the Admiralty from time to time, be summarily dealt with and punished by the captain. The regulations contained certain restrictions with regard to summary dealing with offences.

Chapter XII of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions dealt with "Discipline," and section V of that chapter with "Summary Punishments," and comprised articles 535 to 538. Table I of article 540 was headed "Index of Offences suggesting the normal maximum summary punishment that may be awarded for each." Section (d) of Table I prescribed detention as the punishment for "I. Wilful disobedience of orders."

Article 552 provided that chief petty officers who could not be dealt in a category which included the plaintiff might be sentenced summarily to detention only for certain offences, which included highly insubordinate conduct.

Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C., Mr. Peter Palm, and Mr. Anthony Cripps appeared for the plaintiff, the Attorney-General (Sir Donald Somervell, K.C.) and Mr. H. L. Parker for the defendants.

JUDGMENT

Mr. Justice Hallett, giving judgment, referred to the fact that Captain Shelley had been prepared to give evidence that, before arriving at the decision recorded on the punishment warrant, he had addressed his mind to the question whether the plaintiff was guilty of highly insubordinate conduct, and had come to the conclusion that he was. Sir Stafford Cripps had intimated that he was prepared to treat that evidence as having been given and not challenged, but he submitted that it could be of no possible relevance.

It was contended for the plaintiff that the first defendant had no jurisdiction, in the circumstances of the case, to sentence him summarily to detention on the punishment warrant, and that that detention warrant amounted to a false imprisonment in point of law, for which both defendants were responsible and were liable to pay damages. The only questions which it was necessary to consider were whether Cap-

tain Shelley had the necessary jurisdiction in point of law to sentence the plaintiff summarily to detention; and, secondly, if he had not, what damages ought to be awarded.

His Lordship referred to section 56 (2) of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and said that none of the limitations there imposed on the general power of summary trial and punishment in respect of offences triable under the Act was applicable to the present case. It was conceded for the defendants that since the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions were, in quote the Order enjoining their observance, "established by his Majesty's Order in Council," any further limitation of the jurisdiction of the first defendant which appeared from the Regulations could be relied on by the plaintiff, and did not merely expose the defendants to disciplinary action for disregarding the limitation.

His Lordship then reviewed the relevant provisions of the King's Regulations, and said that it resulted that, according to article 551, the plaintiff was not to be sentenced summarily to detention except for one of the offences specified in the article. The short point for decision was whether he was sentenced for "highly insubordinate conduct."

Counsel for the plaintiff pointed to the terms in which the plaintiff's offence was specified, and to both the charge sheet and the punishment warrant, and contended that it appeared from those terms that the plaintiff was neither charged with, nor sentenced for, "highly insubordinate conduct." He (his Lordship) agreed with counsel for the plaintiff that, whether the plaintiff could have been so charged, rejudged, and sentenced, having regard to the admitted particulars of his conduct, was wholly immaterial if that was not in fact done. Counsel further contended that whether Captain Shelley considered the plaintiff to be guilty of highly insubordinate conduct was really irrelevant. He (his Lordship) agreed that that was so, but only if the defendants were precluded by the documents from establishing that that was the offence for which the plaintiff was in fact sentenced.

THE FIRST DIFFICULTY

The first difficulty was that, while article 552, when read in conjunction with article 551 which referred to it, clearly contemplated that highly insubordinate conduct was an offence triable under the Naval Discipline Act, the Act itself did not refer in terms to any such offence. (The inclusion of "insubordination" as the second offence in Section (j) of Table I in article 540 also seemed to contemplate that insubordination was an offence triable under the Act. Accordingly, counsel conceded that highly insubordinate conduct was an offence covered by section 17 of the Act, since it was common ground that there was no other section which could cover it. A charge of highly insubordinate conduct in those terms in the charge-sheet would have been a charge of an offence not mentioned in the Act, and the insertion of such a charge on the punishment warrant would have failed to comply with the requirements of article 538, which provided that when punishments were ordered by warrant, as in the present case, the charge is shown under the heading "Particulars of Offence."



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should follow as closely as possible the wording of the appropriate section of the Naval Discipline Act.

Accordingly it was contended for the defendants that conduct rendering the offender guilty of any one of the three offences created by section 17 might amount to highly insubordinate conduct, and that the question whether it had been of the gravity described by those words was one for determination by the High Court. Counsel for the plaintiff, on the other hand, contended that wilfully disobeying the lawful command of a superior officer could not amount to highly insubordinate conduct, wilful disobedience being something merely passive, and insubordination being something in the nature of active defiance. He (his Lordship) was unable to take that view. In his opinion wilful disobedience to a lawful command of a superior officer would commonly and correctly be described as a kind of insubordination, although not the only kind.

It was not disputed that the quality, as distinct from the nature, of the offence committed was a matter for consideration by and only by the persons entrusted with the duty of deciding how far the offender ought to suffer or escape the maxi-

mum punishment which could lawfully be imposed for that offence. Counsel for the plaintiff had further urged that the officer in command of the ship could not be the judge of his own jurisdiction, but he (his Lordship) thought that it was clearly for such an officer to decide whether the person charged with wilful disobedience was guilty of that offence, and, if so, whether the quality of his offence was in all the circumstances sufficiently serious to bring it within the description "highly insubordinate conduct."

It was strongly contended for the plaintiff that Table I under article 540 prevented the Court from regarding wilful disobedience as a kind of insubordination which might amount to "highly insubordinate conduct," because "wilful disobedience of orders" appeared as the first offence mentioned in section (d) of the Table, which section was headed "Disobedience," whereas "insubordination and disrespect" was the heading of section (j) in the Table. The offence mentioned in that section, in his opinion that Table could neither create fresh offences nor subdivide existing ones except with regard to suggested normal maximum punishments. Nor could the Table affect by such creation or subdivision the permissible mode of trying offences. Article 540 was only intended to deal with limitation of punishments, and ought not to be utilised so as to have the effect of dealing with jurisdiction to try offences summarily.

He came to the conclusion that the plaintiff was not sentenced without jurisdiction, and that his claim accordingly failed.

It was usual for the trial Judge in such circumstances to indicate the damages which he would have awarded to a plaintiff in case an appeal against his decision should succeed. In the present case, however, he (his Lordship) was in no better position to assess the damages than a higher Court would be. He therefore contented himself with saying that no suggestion had been made that the defendants were guilty of anything more than a bona-fide misapprehension as to the extent of the powers conferred on Captain Shelley by provisions which, as sufficiently appeared from the judgment, were not very easy to construe. The Solicitors were Messrs. Gower, Pollard, Thorowgood and Taber, the Treasury Solicitor.

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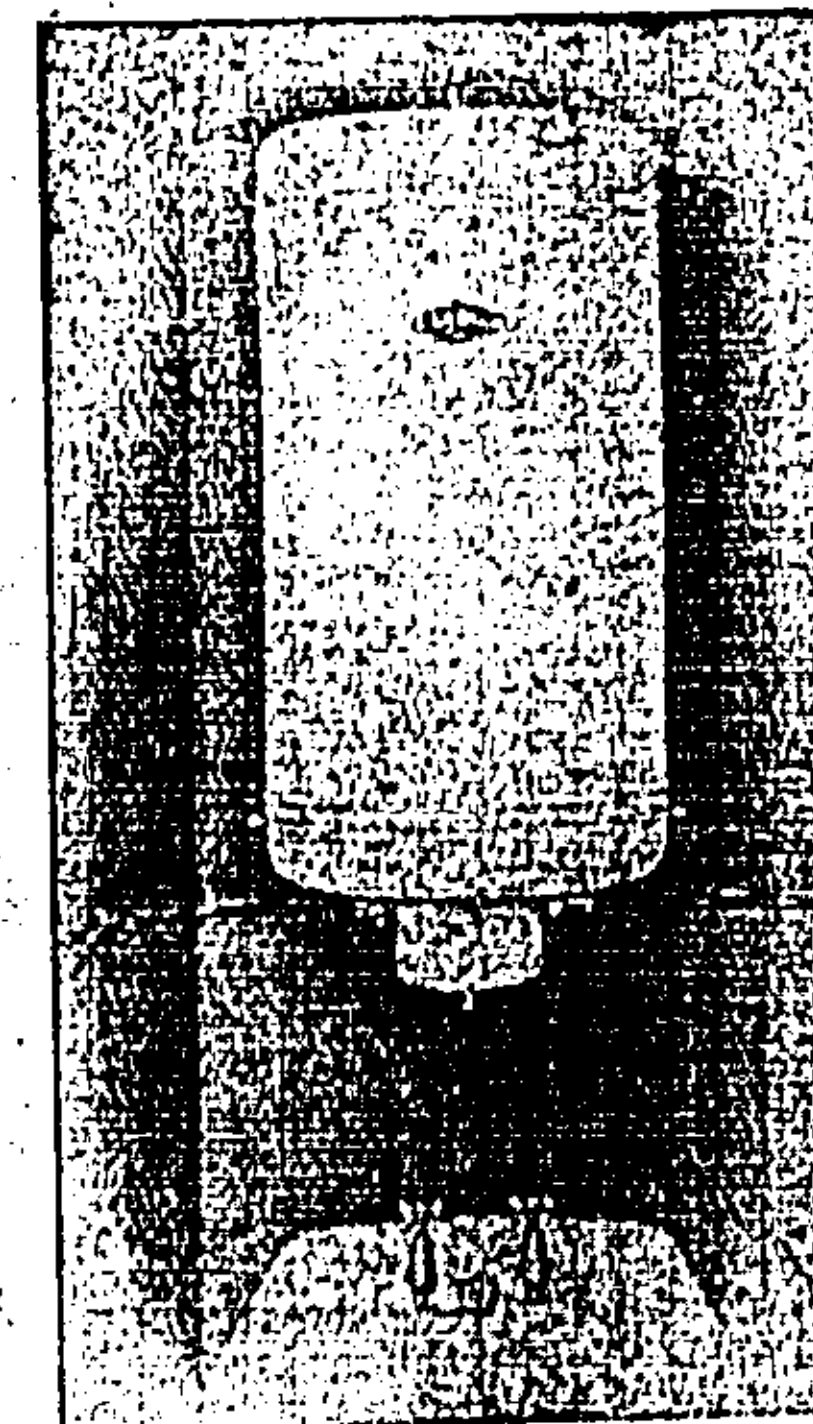
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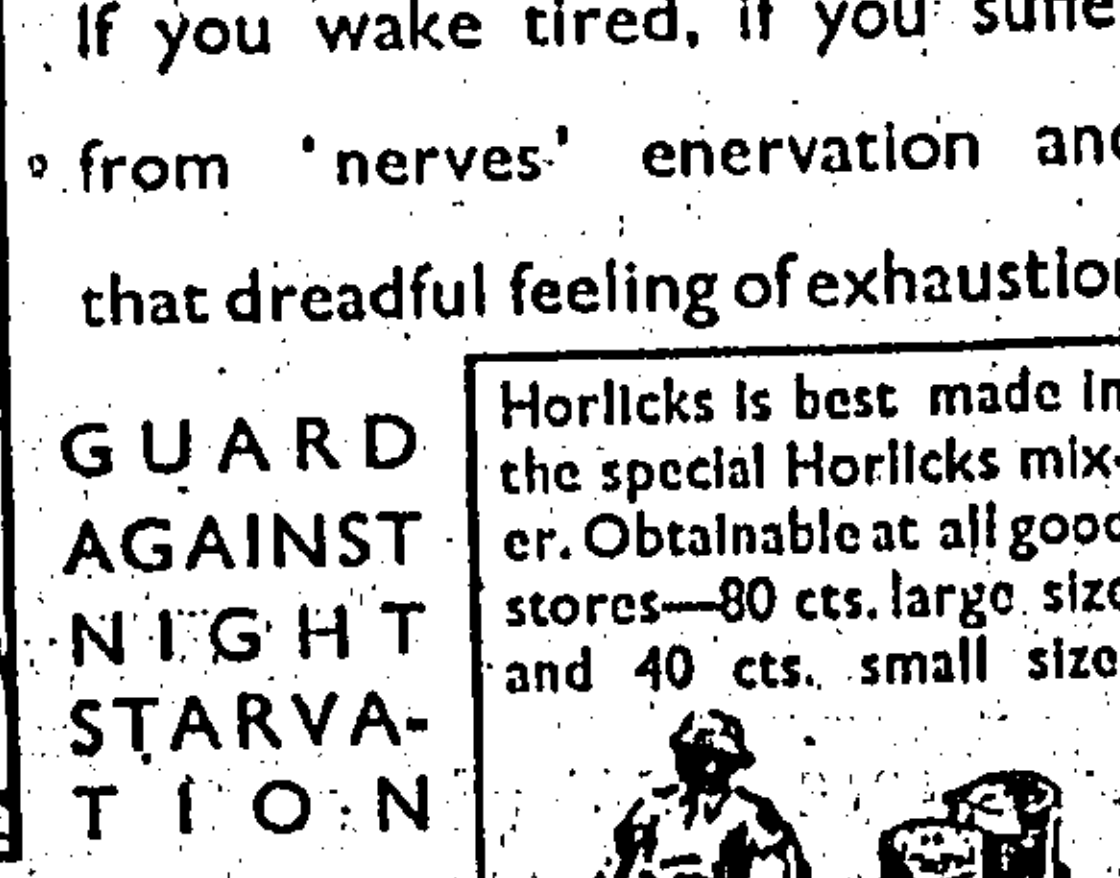
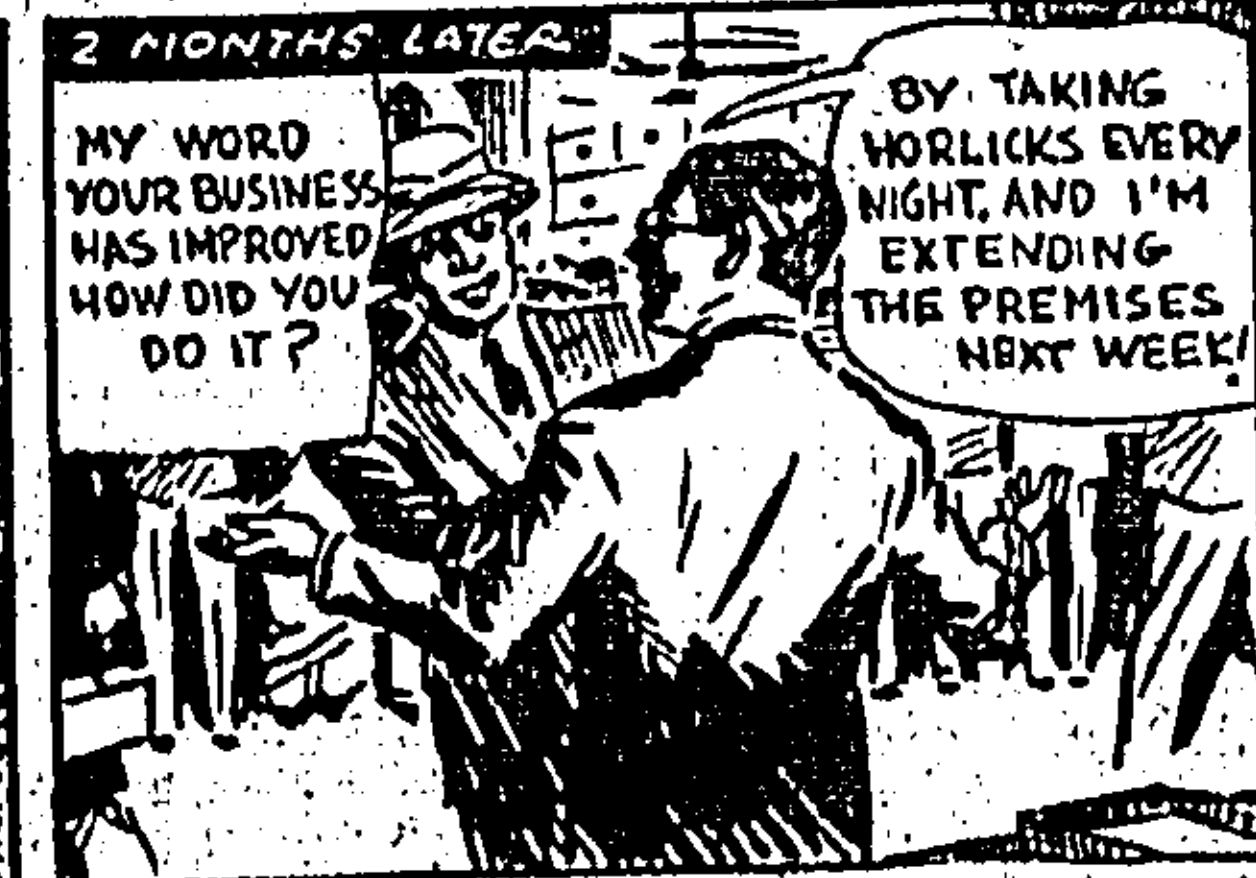
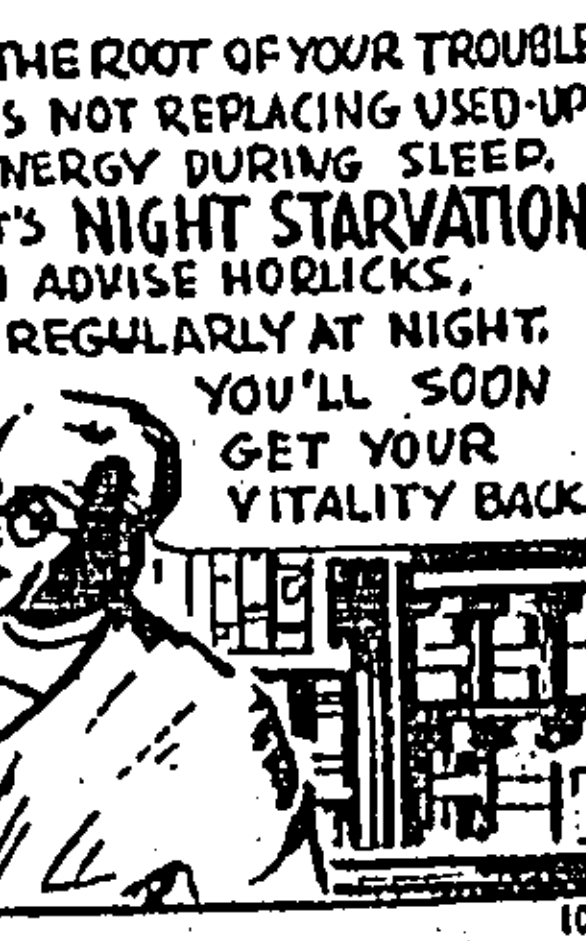
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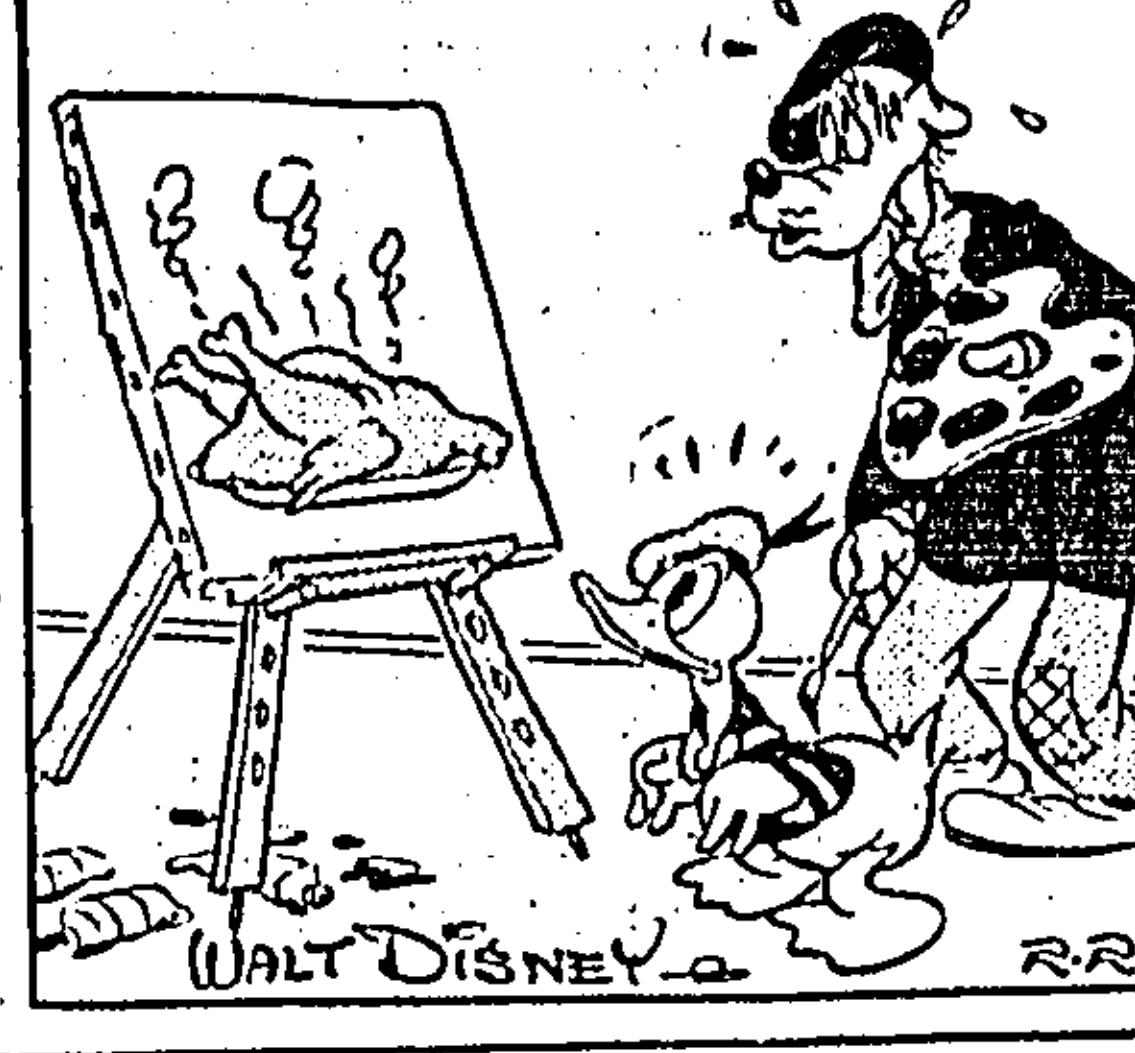
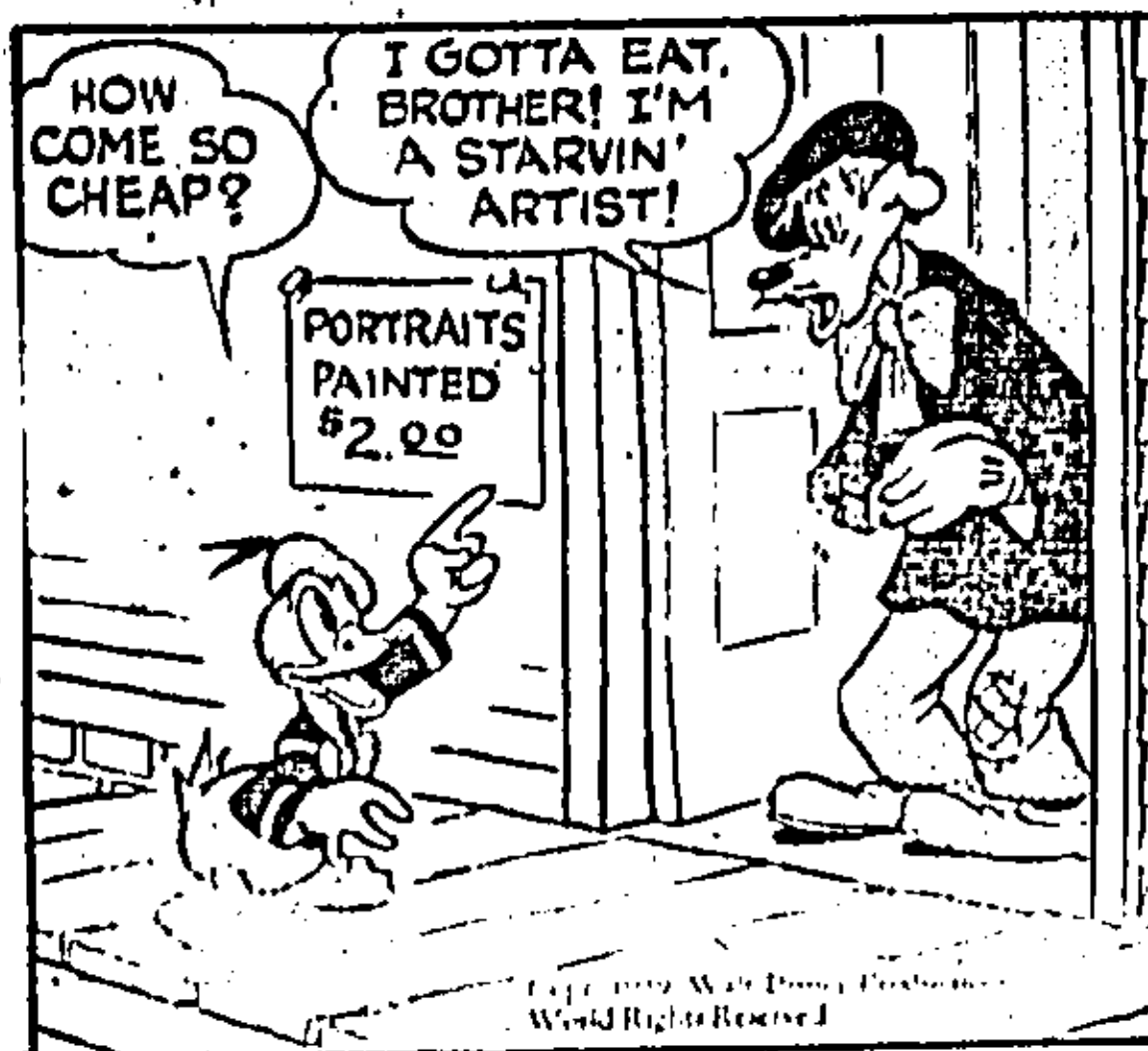
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"You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month!"

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure my hand hadn't glimpsed the lease I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-boiled reporters were gathering. "When am I going on leave?" one challenged in writing on a folded strip of paper.

"You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer Potsdam next month."

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It wasn't the end of his demonstration of the powers of telepathy. He gave the number on a one-dollar Hongkong bank-note, casually taken from the pocket of one of his audience.

He told another reporter his birthday.

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NO WAR

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QUESTION: Who is the tennis player and amateur gardener who has just been installed as a Sultan?

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Q: What happened at the installation?

A: The new Sultan was enthroned and underwent a ceremonial purification. Unlike other Malay rulers, Sultans of Perak do not wear a crown.

Q: What are the new Sultan's interests in life?

A: He is one of the recognised experts on rice cultivation and knows as much about the subject as his British advisers. His hobbies are tennis, golf and gardening. He has played in, and won, many tennis tournaments in Malaya against all comers.

BARTER AGREEMENT Germany and Argentina To Exchange Goods

Buenos Aires, Mar. 28. Argentina and Germany have signed a barter pact whereby Argentina will export 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool to Germany for six months. In return Germany will provide railway materials including 64 locomotives, sleeping cars and freight cars.—United Press.

RUSSIAN BALL

The Russian community in Hongkong will hold its Spring Ball (Easter) at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday, April 11, from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m. During the evening, Gorchakoff's Ballet and a gypsy chorus will entertain.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

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25 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1914. It is reported from Brussels that both the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies have passed a Bill for the preservation of the battlefield of Waterloo, and to prevent projected building thereon.

After a prolonged Cabinet meeting, Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that Field Marshal Sir John French and Lieut. Gen. Sir John Ewart had resigned. The Government had requested them to resign and were awaiting their final reply.

General Gough is still at the Curragh. Sir Edward Carson has left for London.

The U.S. Consul-General in Hongkong, Mr. G. E. Anderson, reports to Washington: "Although the chief portion of the Colony of Hongkong is an island, it contains almost entirely of a mountain ridge, in which roads have been constructed in the past only for footpaths, and the extension of the road system to accommodate the increasing traffic to the mainland is a difficult task, but a considerable amount of road building for military purposes has already been done, and further extension and widening of this system are being made as funds and opportunity are had. The prospect of considerable road extension for motor purposes is favourable, and it is probable that the extension of a motor road, particularly near the Chinese frontier, will be made in the immediate future."

10 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1929. General Ludendorff, who is now 63 years of age, is spending his declining days in fighting Freemasonry and Judaism, and in propagating the worship of the old German gods.

To-day he was sentenced to a fine of £40, with an alternative of sixteen days' imprisonment, for libelling an Army photographer, whom he described as a "Freemason" in an article entitled "The Immorality of Freemasonry."

Captain D. D. Richards, acting master, Chin-hua, has gone acting master, Shantung; Captain J. Beck, of the Hui-chow, has gone master, Chin-hua.

Captain E. M. Galle, of the Kwai-yang, has gone master, Hui-chow. Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from Home leave, has gone master, Kwai-yang.

Captain A. N. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, Shantung.

Mr. A. Abernethy, chief officer, Patahan, is on reserve. Mr. T. Goffen, chief officer, Kichang, has gone chief officer, Patahan.

Mr. H. S. Patrickson, chief officer, Shantung, has gone chief officer, Kichang.

Mr. F. E. Ney, has been appointed second officer, Hupeh. Mr. A. M. Buchanan, second officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

Mr. J. McKinlay, chief officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

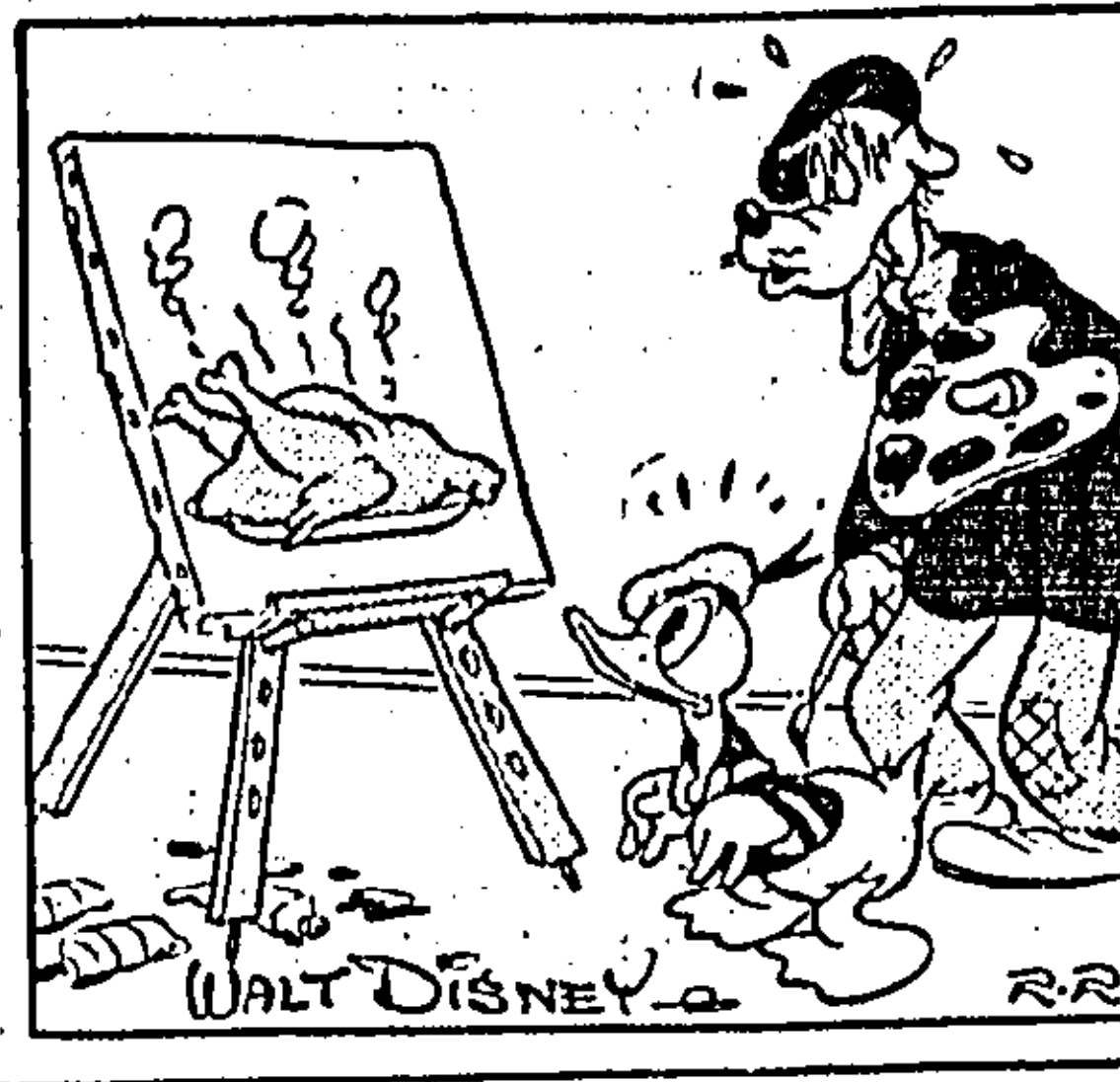
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Mr. D. Brothie, chief officer, Chen-yu, is on reserve. Mr. W. G. Owen, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Chen-yu.

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1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Haydn—Symphony In C Major ("Military").

Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.

1.05 Rotor and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.10 Elsie Carlisle and Harry Roy's Orchestra.

You Can't Pull The Wool Over My Eyes—Fox-Trot; You Gotta Know How To Dance—Fox-Trot (Film Collen); Harry Roy and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; He's Heart (from "Her Master's Voice"); Elsie Carlisle (Vocal) with Orchestra; I've Got Beginner's Luck—Fox-Trot (Film "Shall We Dance"); They All Laughed—Fox-Trot (Film "Shall We Dance"); Harry Roy and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Conversation For Two (Hueston, Emmerich); Star Gazing (Neiburg, Levinson); Elsie Carlisle (Vocal) with Orch.; Lili Liza June—Quickstep; Little Spanish Shawl—Quickstep; Harry Roy and His Orchestra.

2.00 An hour of New Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—The Merry-Go-Round—Fox-Trot; Oh Will You Wash My Father's Shirt—Comedy Quickstep; Sid Millward and His Orchestra; When A Gipsy Marina Tango; When A Gipsy Marina Tango; Emil Roosz and His Orchestra; Vocal—Don't say "Goodbye" Say "Au Revoir" (Feynes-Amberg); Darling, you are so different to-day (Feynes-Amberg); Zarah Leander acc. by Eugen Yellin Orchestra. (Sung in German); Cinéma Organ—"Happy Days" Selection.

2.15 Milza Korjus (Soprano) and Joseph Schmidt (Tenor).

2.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 Liszt—Ballade In B Minor. Piano Solo by Louis Kontner.

7.20 Liszt—"Neflata" Waltz No. 1. Sergio Koussavitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

7.33 Milza Korjus (Soprano) and Joseph Schmidt (Tenor).

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5 YEARS AGO

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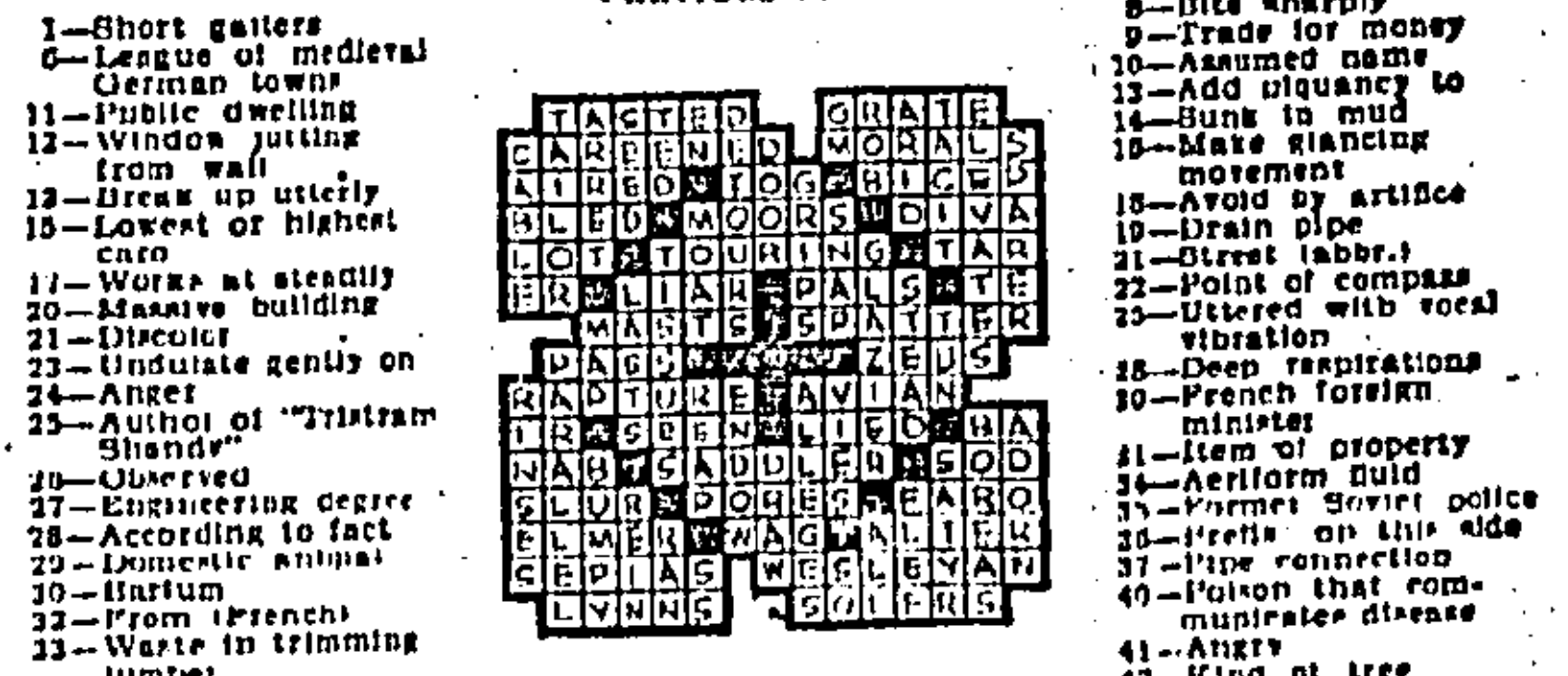
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2—League of medieval German towns
11—Public dwelling
12—Windows jutting from wall
13—Went up quickly
14—Lowest of highest
15—Works at steadily
16—Massive building
21—Unfaded
22—Indulgent gently on
23—Author of "Tristram Shandy"
24—Overlaid
25—Embossing device
26—According to fact
27—Domestic animal
28—Bursting
29—Wrote in trimming
30—Wonders
31—With open mouth
32—Wash in clear water
33—Gird of Hindu triad
34—Drive all through
35—Ancestor of Irish
36—Deified
37—Surname of Eric
38—And French
39—Accords with
40—Torn bit of cloth
41—Ourselves animal
42—Distortion of curio
43—Western State
44—The dawn
45—Man's nickname
46—Indian soldier

DOWN
3—Using garden tool
4—Rums pertaining to
5—The name
6—Trade for money
7—The name
8—Add quantity to
9—Dance in motion
10—Brain pipe
17—Dietary article
18—Dietary article
19—Point of compass
20—Uttered with vocal situation
21—French tonic
22—Been respirations
23—French tonic
24—Item of property
25—French tonic
26—Primer Soviet police
27—Crest on the side
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1—Pirate argillaceous
2—Position of body
3—Town in Belgium
4—In music, "A flat"
5—Handed for political adre

6—Governor of Turkish
7—Turkism

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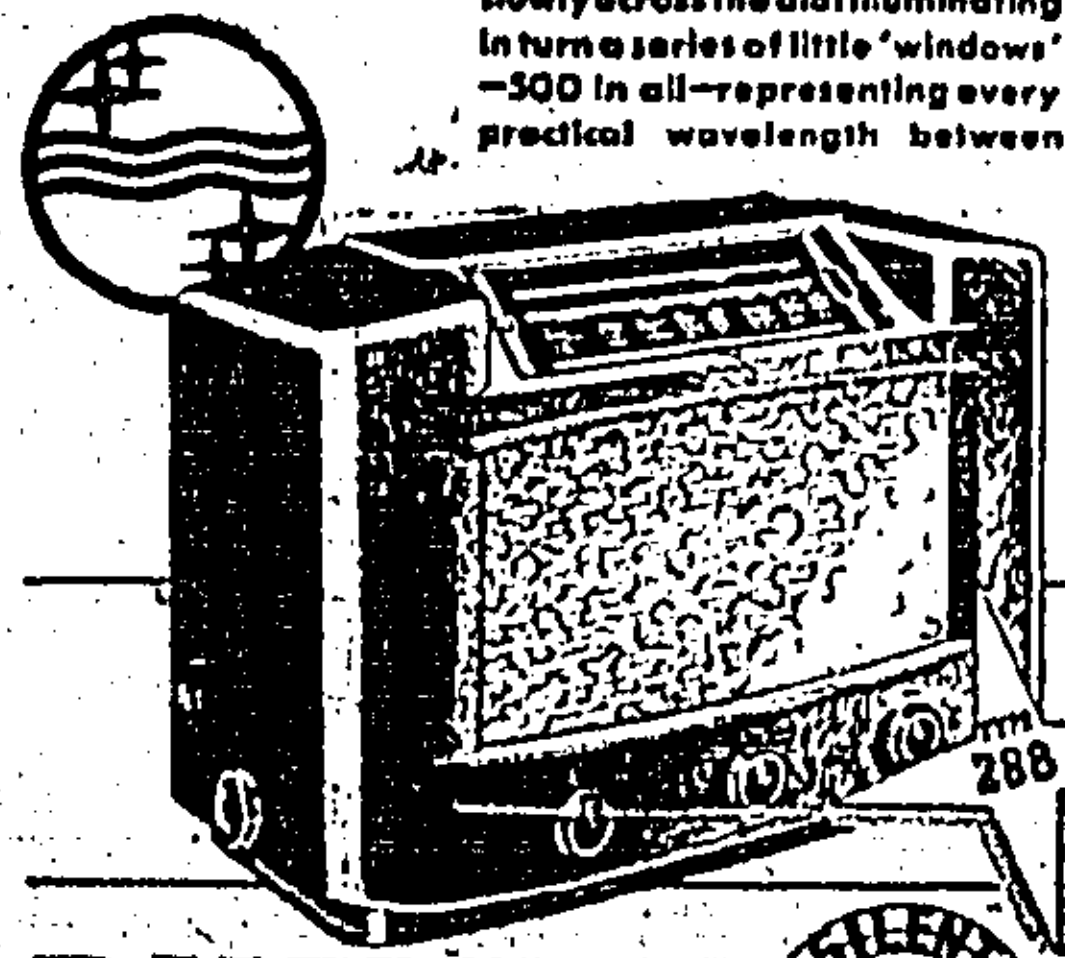
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Defence and Nutrition

THE DIFFICULTIES of assessing
nutrition values and the fact
that the scope of its inquiries
embraces extraneous subjects which
are required only for statistical purposes
by the Colonial Office renders it
certain that the sittings of the Hong-
kong Nutrition Committee will be
protracted into 1940.

In the meantime, presumably, it
is proposed that the Government
should sit back and await the Com-
mittee's Report before attempting to
so much as tackle the problem of
mal-nutrition in this Colony.

It is abundantly clear, without
calling for a Report from any Com-
mittee, that thousands of children
and infants in Hongkong are being
denied the nourishment they must
have if they are to become healthy
adult citizens.

We have been informed that the
cost of a bowl of soup containing
the requisite vitamins that will allow
a mother to nourish her child is but
one cent; that for less than \$40,000
per annum the Society for the
Protection of Children can provide
one free bowl of soup per day in
every day of the year to ten thou-
sand mal-nourished mothers.

Although this Colony can, reluc-
tantly perhaps, find sufficient re-
venue to pay six million dollars per
annum to the Imperial Government
as a contribution towards Imperial
Defence, it can distribute but a
fraction of this sum for charitable
purposes. The Colony has spent
enormous sums since the beginning
of the century on defence contri-
butions—it would not be an over-
statement to say that the total in
the past four decades has exceeded
\$100,000,000—and the net result is
that, if the entire population of
Hongkong were wiped out to-mor-
row by war, the loss in human life
would be infinitely less than in the
same period, a tenth part of \$100-
000,000 had been spent in tackling
the problem of the under-nourished
child.

Statistics reveal that the Colony's
infant mortality ranks amongst
the world's highest—incomplete re-
turns show that approximately one
in every three infants dies before
it reaches the age of twelve months.
Death is caused in the majority of
cases, not by lack of attention from
the infant's mother, but from lack
of nourishment from the mother's
breasts.

We are conscious of the fact—the
War Office has been at pains to
make it public this year—that the
cost to the Imperial Government of
maintaining the Army Garrison in
Hongkong is steadily increasing
annually remitted to London is this
Colony's defence contribution. At
the same time, we are not convinced
that the bargain is a good one. The
garrison is not here primarily to
protect the citizen of Hongkong; it
is here as an integral part of the
British defence system in the Pacific,
and we have no doubt that, if
strategy dictated such a move in
time of war, Hongkong would quick-
ly be left to its fate, despite our
substantial contributions towards the
 upkeep of the Army.

We realise that it is only just and
right, in these times of international
stress, that this Colony should con-
tribute substantially towards the
common defence of the Empire.
But we are convinced that in no
part of the Empire a Government
called upon to contribute twenty per-
cent of its total revenue, both muni-
cipal and general, towards the
 upkeep of the Army.

Whichever way we look at it, we
cannot see but that expenditure on
legitimate undertakings for the com-
mon weal of the taxpayer is being
starved in order to contribute an un-
fair and undue proportion of the
revenue for military undertakings.
It must be obvious that a lessening
of the Defence burden would result
in a proportionate increase in re-
venue to the public. The most ur-
gent service we can think of is the
service dictated by humanity—that
of saving some of the thousands of
lives that are being sacrificed to-day
on the altar of mal-nutrition.

They Were Not Afraid To Die

TWENTY-SEVEN
years ago, on March
29, 1912, Captain R.
F. Scott wrote in his diary:
"It seems a pity, but I do
not think I can write more.
For God's sake look after
our people."

For ten days he and the two
companions that remained of
the four that had reached the
South Pole with him had been
held up by a blizzard. And for
ten days they had been slowly
dying of starvation and ex-
haustion.

That entry in Scott's diary
was the last flicker of life in
one of the greatest but one of
the most unfortunate of all
voyages of exploration. From
the moment when they came
across the traces of the Nor-
wegian, Roald Amundsen, who
beat them to the Pole by a few
weeks, their luck had turned
against them. The difficulties
they had to face were greater
than was humanly possible to
overcome.

Scott's second Antarctic ex-
pedition was, unlike the first,
entirely his own responsibility.
He wanted to complete the
knowledge of the South he had
acquired on the Discovery ex-
pedition ten years earlier, and
his purpose was, primarily
scientific. It was to attract
funds from the public that he
made the Pole his objective.

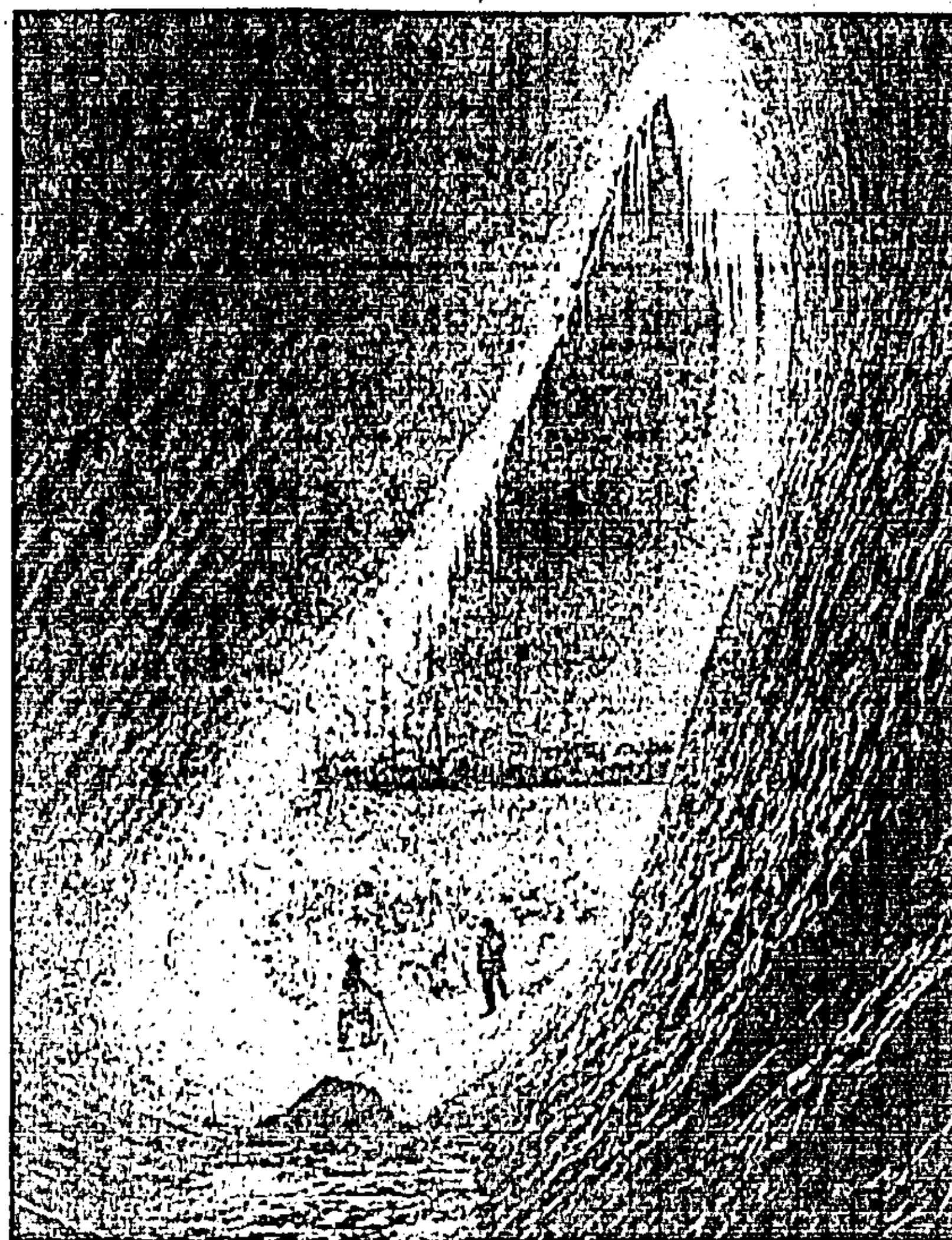
On the outward voyage from
England he had received a mes-
sage from Amundsen, saying,
"Am heading South." From
that moment it was a race be-
tween them, and Scott was well
aware how heavy the odds were
against him.

And if one is to judge by
fame alone, it was he who suc-
ceeded and not Amundsen.
Amundsen's brilliant feat is one
which one admires and no more.
Scott's failure and death were
of the kind to catch the imagina-
tion. The diary which he kept
until he had no more strength
to write is one of the most mov-
ing documents ever written.

The outward journey was
fairly straightforward.
Depots of food were left at
intervals and the party was
gradually reduced as sections
returned to the base.

Six hundred miles of the Ice
Barrier were covered before a
blizzard came down on them at
the foot of the Beardmore
glacier and held them up for
three days on end. It was a
serious blow. Reserves of time,
food and energy were dissipated
and the margin of safety was
reduced.

When the weather cleared,
three teams of four men carried
on up the glacier. Near the top
one team was sent back. Two
parties struggled on to the bleak
desolation of the 10,000-foot
high plateau where the Pole it-
self is situated. They were
still 400 miles from their goal.



By DONALD HODSON

Even at this late stage there
was little wrong with anyone in
the Polar party. When Lieuten-
ant Evans (now, Admiral Sir
Edward Evans) turned back
with two others 200 miles from
the Pole, he left the remaining
five as strong and well as they
could be expected to be.

With Scott were Dr. E. A.
Wilson, zoologist; Captain L. E.
G. Oates, of the Inniskilling
Dragoons; Lieutenant H. R.
Bowers, of the Royal Indian
Marine; and Seaman Edgar
Evans, of the Royal Navy.

Some way beyond 89 degrees
South the first Norwegian cairn
was sighted and they knew they
had been beaten. They pushed
on to the Pole, reaching it on
January 17, and picked up
Amundsen's messages. He had
camped there on December 16,
just a month earlier. "All the
day-dreams must go," wrote
Scott, "it will be a wearisome
return."

The cold and the wind began
to get the better of them. On
the high plateau the tempera-
tures averaged minus 10 degrees
Fahrenheit, 51 degrees of frost,
and this, with a wind of any-
thing up to gale force. At the
Pole itself the temperature was
minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit.

Seaman Evans, the strongest
man of the party, began to
succumb. His nose was badly
frost-bitten and his hands were
covered with frost-bite blisters.
Oates suffered from frozen feet.
Blizzards overtook them, and
their marches were dangerously
short. Wilson suffered agonies
from snow-blindness. Evans
cut his knuckle and it festered.
His fingernails were now rotting
and falling out.

More accidents befell them.
Wilson strained a tendon, Scott
slipped on the ice and hurt his
shoulder, and by the time they
reached the glacier head and
left the plateau Bowers was the
only fit man.

They started down the glacier
on February 8. On the way
down Evans fell and concussed
himself, and on February 17, at
the foot of the glacier, he had
another fall, was brought in on
the sledge, and died the same
night without recovering con-
sciousness.

Their morale severely shaken,
they pushed on, gradually
weakening.

It suddenly became much
colder. Temperatures fell to
minus 30 degrees F. by day and
minus 40 degrees F. by night.
The oil supply at their next de-

pot was unaccountably short.
Oates's feet were much worse.

On March 10 Scott's diary
reads: "Things steadily down-
hill"; on March 11, "Oates is
very near the end, one feels."
They divide up the medical
means of ending their lives.

On March 17 Oates managed
to struggle on with them till
they camped. That evening,
with a blizzard raging outside,
he got up and said, "I am just
going outside and may be some
time." They never saw him
again. He walked out to his
death so that he should no
longer be a drag on them. He
not only gave them another
chance, but spared them the
pain of watching him die.

But the survivors were in
little better condition. The ex-
treme cold and the blizzards
continued. On March 18, Scott
writes: "My right foot has
gone, nearly all the toes." And
a day later: "Amputation is the
least I can hope for, but will
the trouble spread?"

That night, the 20th, they
camped only eleven miles from
their next depot. It was their
last camp. They had food for
only four days and practically
no fuel.

On March 29 comes the last
entry. They had decided that
it should be a natural death.
Seven months later the search
party found them lying in the
tent, as if asleep.

There have been many post-
mortems held on the fate of
Scott and his companions.
There is nothing that can be
added now. Scott's own "Mes-
sage to the Public," written in
those last days, explained the
major reasons. "The causes of
the disaster are not due to
faulty organisation, but to mis-
fortune in all risks which had
to be undertaken."

Their failure was due first
and foremost to the weather,
which was far worse than they
could reasonably have expected
from previous experience. Next,
the shortage of paraffin at the
depots, which Scott could not
explain, but was due to seepage
through the faulty stoppers of
the tin containers. Then, ac-
cording to Mr. Cherry-Garrard,
one of the zoologists of the ex-
pedition, the food allowances
were inadequate, both as re-
gards calories existent. Even
on full rations they were under-
nourished.

Nervous energy alone drove
them on. They refused until the
last moment to admit their de-
feat. At the end of it, Scott
could write, "For my own sake,
I do not regret this journey,
which has shown that Eng-
lishmen can endure hardships, help
one another and meet death
with as great a fortitude as ever
in the past."

It is for this spirit with which
they faced the hardships that in
the end overcame them that
their names have not been and
will not be forgotten.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

Q. Some say you are Hit-
ler's puppet. Is it
true?

A. "Our record in inter-
national affairs indi-
cates a sleepless vigilance
to build peace and make
friends. More peace, more
friends."

"We yield nothing of our
autonomy nor do we allow our
power to be used as pawn by
others." (p. 206.)

"Speaking of foreign policy in re-
lation to the different groups of
Powers, I summarised my thoughts
with this definition: 'We cannot
allow ourselves either a plan of in-
sane altruism or one of complete
subservience to the plans of the
other peoples. Ours is a policy of
autonomy, then. It shall be firm
and severe.'" (pp. 204-5.)

"I am rated as a leader who pre-
cedes and not one who follows." (p.
181.)

Q. You have 215,000 Germans in
South Tyrol, south of the
Brenner Pass. Do you think you

service to the public. The most ur-
gent service we can think of is the
service dictated by humanity—that
of saving some of the thousands of
lives that are being sacrificed to-day
on the altar of mal-nutrition.

Second article of a new
series in which questions
are put to the Duce by an
interpreter—and answered
from Mussolini's "My
Autobiography."

will always be able to keep them,
in view of the rising tide of Hitler's
Pan-Germanism?

A. "We find ourselves at the
Brenner Pass now, and...
at the Brennero we will remain at
any price." (p. 120.)

"...the sacred limits of the
Brenner." (p. 130.)

Q. How long do you think you
and Hitler will stick together?

A. "Only in front of the magni-
tude and suggestiveness of
danger, only after having lived to-
gether in the anxieties and torments
of war, can one measure the sound-
ness of a friendship or measure in
advance how long it is destined to
go on." (p. 31.)

Q. But on the last occasion Ger-
many and Italy were allies
Italy let down Germany and en-
tered the great war on the side of
the Allies. Why?

A. "Italy a few years previously
had renewed the Triple Al-
liance Treaty."

"It had been a marriage without
respect and without trust, brought
about more in order to counter-
balance military power than by
political necessity."

"As a matter of fact the treaty
called only for action if one or more
of the nations of the Triple Alliance
was assailed by a nation outside
the alliance. We were kept in the
dark, as I well knew. That was
enough to break the pact—to free
us from further obligations to that

alliance.
"One of the first courageous ac-
tions in which Italy showed the
measure of her independence and
strength was recognition of this."
(p. 38.)

Q. What did you think of Ger-
many's action in the war?

A. "Public opinion in Italy was
deeply moved facing war with
its German invasion of East France.
There was the description, with hor-
rid details, of German methods, and,
above all, the every sense of right
and humanity."

"The future not of one nation, but
of many nations, was on the scale.
... There was also the feeling of
common culture which was compell-
ing us to forget past and present
quarrels. I could not bear the idea
that my country might abandon
those who were crushed under the
weight of war and unwarranted mis-
fortune." (p. 39.)

Q. Hitler confessedly aims at
world domination. What did
you think of German ideas of do-
mination in those days?

A. "A handful of intelligent and
strong-willed men began to
ask themselves if it was really right
for Italians to lend themselves to the
political aims of the King of Prussia,
and if that was good for the future
of Italy and of the world. ... The
putting of that question was my
putting of that question was my
(Continued on Page 7.)

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Polish Corridor

LATEST GERMAN PROPOSAL

Abolition Of Danzig Commissionership

London, Mar. 28. According to the *News-Chronicle*, Germany has sent a note to Poland with reference to Danzig, proposing that the Danzig High Commissionership be abolished, that any settlement be confined to Germany and Poland alone and that all rights in Danzig revert to Germany with the exception of certain port rights which Poland will enjoy.

The *News-Chronicle* says Poland is considering the note carefully, and that the proposals form the one reason for Poland's hesitation to join the "Halt Hitler" bloc.—*United Press*.

Defence Loan

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Appealing to the nation to subscribe generously to the £48,000,000 internal defence loan, Gen. Skwarczyński, leader of the Government party, declared to-day that Poland visualised war in the future as an era of fresh successes for the invincible Polish army.

He added that the Poles regarded the events of historical importance occurring near the frontiers entirely because they were confident of their own strength.—*Reuter*.

German Press Campaign

Berlin, Mar. 28. Agitation about the treatment of Germans in Poland which was begun yesterday continued to-day in the *Essen National Zeitung* which has connections with General Goering.

The newspaper, under the headline "Intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship," says the impression is gaining ground that the Polish authorities are not masters of the situation and make only feeble efforts to keep control. It is claimed that German men, women and children are systematically attacked, German farms and houses are attacked under cover of darkness and German shops boycotted.

The paper says that hitherto the German public opinion has been silent, hoping it only a question of isolated incidents.

"This silence is no longer possible, for the steady intensification of the campaign and its non-suppression by the Polish authorities represent in the long run an intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship."

A message from Gleiwitz says that German workmen in Upper Silesia can get neither bread nor work.—*Reuter*.

Russia

Big Troop Movements On Borders

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Information from Moscow says that the Soviet authorities were massing large military forces along the borders of Latvia and Estonia.

Due to the congestion of troop trains, the international express train from Moscow arrived here three hours behind schedule on Monday.

Most of the fresh reinforcements for Soviet border guards were sent from the White Russian Military District.

It is understood that the Soviet troop movements have been prompted by the reported opening of negotiations of unknown nature between Germany and Latvia.

The Soviet authorities were also reinforcing their defence forces along the border of Rumania near Bessarabia by mobilising the troops from the Balkan and Caucasian Military Districts.—*Domei*.

NEW HOSPITAL

Appeal for Money to Cover Cost of Building

London, Mar. 28. Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 8 and so far £80,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000, by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker.—*British Wireless*.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

Horiforus, selfneur, tolele, slemograph, sedetary, Dictionary, spellings of these words will be found on page 6.

Latest Spain Situation

MADRID FALLS: SURRENDER FLAG HOISTED: FIGHTING IN THE STREETS

General Franco's insurgent troops after practically completing their surrounding of Madrid yesterday entered the former Republican capital from which General Canadass and other leaders had fled.

Having received no definite reply from the Loyalist Council of Defence to his demand for the surrender of the capital, General Franco ordered a new offensive. Artillery exchanges rocked the city earlier, and although resistance had been feeble, the insurgents met unexpected opposition in the streets on the outskirts of the city.

Several Loyalist posts in the suburbs first surrendered and many prisoners of war have been captured.

On the southern front success is attending General Franco's drive. The offensive culminated yesterday in the capture of the importance city of Almaden, where the world's richest mercury mines are situated. The city has been in the Loyalists' hands since the outbreak of the war in 1936.

Madrid, Mar. 28. Colonel Casado has ordered the demobilisation of all recruits awaiting instructions to rejoin the forces. This is regarded as confirming reports that the Republicans do not intend to resist Franco further.—*Reuter*.

Positions Abandoned

Paris, Mar. 28. The Loyalists have abandoned a number of positions on the outskirts of Madrid, according to a *Havas* message from Burgos. Whole units are stated to have surrendered to the insurgents south of the city.—*Reuter*.

Fall Imminent

Madrid, Mar. 28. Early this morning General Franco's troops believed that the occupation of Madrid was imminent, despite the unexpected resistance in the streets where the advancing troops frequently met musketry fire.—*United Press*.

Generals Surrender

Hendaye, Mar. 28. General Mijang, accompanied by two members of the Madrid Junta, Generals Manuel Matallana and Leopoldo Menendez, have arrived at Valencia by motor car. It is reported that General Mijang is ready to surrender authority to General Franco.—*United Press*.

Madrid Surrenders

Madrid, Mar. 28. After a siege lasting nearly two and a half years, Madrid has surrendered.

White flags were hoisted throughout the city to-day, but it is not yet known when the Nationalist troops will enter. General Canadass has left his headquarters. The central army has surrendered, acting under the orders of their chief, Colonel Pradas.

It is believed that General Franco will enter Madrid on April 1.—*Reuter*.

To Hand Over

Madrid, Mar. 28. A broadcast message at noon to-day announces that the Republican leader, Colonel Vazquez Prada, has assumed command of the Madrid garrison until occupation of the city by Nationalist troops.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Nationalist Troops Arrive

Madrid, Mar. 28. At 11.50 a.m. Nationalist troops were already in the streets of north Madrid, advancing towards the centre.

All night long troops streamed from all fronts which are now deserted. Using special light units created for the offensive which was carried by cavalry, the Nationalists carried their advance with practically no resistance. Three companies carrying white flags passed over their lines.—*United Press*.

Nationalists in Control

Madrid, Mar. 28. The Nationalist salute with extended arm is now seen everywhere. The news spread like wildfire and Republican flags disappeared as if by magic.

The city exits are thronged with fugitives fearing reprisals and they are desperately seeking means of escape, but cars are scarce owing to a petrol shortage. The streets are filled with soldiers who have abandoned the front lines. Republican banknotes are refused in shops.

It is not known where General Casado, Chief of the Republican forces, has fled, but he left Madrid before its surrender.

The Police look on indifferently while Nationalist supporters demonstrate.

The first troops to enter the city will be those from University City.—*Reuter*.

SOUTHERN OFFENSIVE

Burgos, Mar. 28. The Insurgents were given a tremendous welcome when they occupied Almaden, the centre of the greatest mercury mines in the world, which has been in Loyalist hands since the outbreak of the war. According to an eye-witness the Loyalists offered less resistance in the past 24 hours than on the first day of the new offensive.

An insurgent communique claims that offensives in the Cordoba and Toledo sectors have resulted in the capture of over 10,000 prisoners and large quantities of war material.—*Reuter*.

Indian Maharaja Weds American

Indore, Mar. 28.

The Maharaja of Indore announced here at a special dinner that while in Europe he married an American lady, Miss Margaret Lawler.

It is understood that he met Miss Lawler in California several years ago. This is the Maharaja's second marriage. He stated that it will not affect the line of succession.—*Reuter Special*.

Lithuania

Composition Of The New Cabinet

London, Mar. 28.

The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Butler, told the Commons yesterday that the British Government had now been informed officially by the Lithuanian Government of the cessation of Mencil to Germany. On receiving this communication the British Government had expressed sympathy in the situation in which the latter had been placed.

Mr. Butler added that as both last December and on March 16 the British Government had made it clear, in reply to enquiries addressed to them as a signatory of the Mencil Convention by the Lithuanian Government, that they could only endeavour to secure respect for the Mencil Statute in so far as this lay in their power, it was understandable in the circumstances of the case that the Lithuanian Government had acted in signing the treaty with Germany on the evening of March 22 without consulting the signatory powers.—*British Wireless*.

The New Cabinet

Kuunas, Mar. 28. The new Lithuanian cabinet is composed as follows: Prime Minister, Brigadier General Cernius; Deputy Prime Minister, M. Bizauskas; Foreign Minister, M. Furubys; Minister of the Interior, Brigadier General Skucas; Minister of Justice, Tomasaitis; Minister of Finance, General Sutkus; Minister of Education, M. Bistras; Minister of Agriculture, M. Kirskelunas; Minister of Communications, M. Germanas; Minister of National Defence, Colonel Mustekis.

The new Cabinet represents a coalition of the Government and Opposition parties.

The latter are represented by the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Education, and Minister of Agriculture.—*Trans-Ocean*.

INQUIRY INTO W.P.A. Republicans Alleged Graft And Corruption

Washington, Mar. 28.

Members of the administration in the House of Representatives to-day joined the Republicans and by voting 352 to 27 authorised an exhaustive inquiry into the Works Progress Administration. Republicans declared that the inquiry would show that relief was rife with politics, graft, corruption and mismanagement.

Democratic leaders assert that the inquiry will clear the W.P.A. of such charges.—*United Press*.

MARCH ON CAPITAL

Washington, Mar. 28.

The Workers' Alliance has started a poll of 3,000,000 employees of the W.P.A. to determine if they are in favour of a "job march" on Washington. If Congress fails to appropriate an additional \$100,000,000 for relief.

Mr. Herbert Benjamin, general secretary of the Alliance, said that ballots have been mailed to every city and town with W.P.A. offices. The ballots must be marked and returned by April 10.

Plans for a protest march will be worked out later if the relief workers approve of the proposal.—*United Press*.

Rumania

Appeal For Change In Regime

Bucharest, Mar. 28.

An appeal for change in the regime in Rumania, the interests of national unity is contained in a memorandum addressed to King Carol by 33 former Prime Ministers, including M. Manlu, leader of the National Peasant Party.

The appeal expresses regret that during the recent crisis the King did not invite the leaders of all the old political parties to discuss the situation with him in addition to the Government, and declares that the King recently assumed too much responsibility and authority.

It demands the establishment of a regime of National Unity and National Faith, having direct contact with the people.—*Reuter*.

INVITATION BY RUMANIA

Bucharest, Mar. 28.

Addressing the Grand Council of 150 members convened for the first time since the founding of the State, M. Calinescu gave an assurance that all the other nations were welcome to conclude an agreement similar to the trade accord between Germany and Rumania.

An emphatic denial was made in answer to a question as to whether the accord infringed Rumania's independence.—*United Press*.

PACT WITH SLOVAKIA

Berlin, Mar. 28.

The text of the German-Slovak clearing agreement was published yesterday. Although the agreement will not become effective until the documents of ratification are exchanged in Bratislava, it had been provisionally in force since March 23. Provision is made in this agreement for a regulation of the clearing through a German clearing bank and Slovak national bank, which is to be founded in Bratislava. The agreement covers all ordinary trade between the two countries but does not apply to transit or ocean traffic.—*Trans-Ocean*.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

(Continued from Page 6.)

most distinguished effort at journalism." (pp. 38-40.)

Q. What do you think of England's part in the war.

A. "I watched England; she was pondering deeply upon the step to take, and then, in order to keep her supremacy, and also for the sake of her pride and the sake of humanity, she moved her formidable war machine and quickened the organisation of new armies to snatch from Germany's grip the control of the old Continent." (pp. 38-39.)

Q. Hitler condemns the Treaty of Versailles, which resulted from this war. What do you think of it?

A. "The event for Europe was the end of a nightmare. The contrast, disillusion, the reserves and the disintegration of the Allies constituted a permanent danger, and a reason for anxiety for many nations. The conclusion of the treaty was, therefore, for them, a liberation. For Italy, on the contrary, it was a complete shattering of ideals. 'We had won the war, we were utterly defeated in the diplomatic battle. We were losing the whole of Dalmatia, our land by tradition and history. The colonial problem was resolved for us in an absolutely negative way.' (p. 69.)

Q. What do you think of your new friends, the Yugo-Slavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which did, and still does, work itself along the subterranean tunnels of secret societies." (p. 35.)

Q. How would you define a good politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must be animated by the humane and devout sense; they must have a regard, a love and a deep vision toward their fellow-creatures. And all these qualities must not be defiled by dissimulations, or rhetoric, or flatteries, or compromises, or servile concessions." (p. 65.)

Q. And do you fit this definition?

A. "On this ground at least I am proud to know myself as one not to be suspected—even by myself—and feeling as to my inmost conclusions."

Princess Alice

London, Mar. 28. Princess Alice, sister of King George VI and her husband, the Duke of Athlone, will leave England on April 11 to pay a visit to Iran. It is expected to last about one month. The purpose of the journey has so far not been disclosed.—*Trans-Ocean*.

Shanghai

Japanese Succumbs To Wounds Daring Assassination Perpetrated

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

The shooting occurred when Ataru Makino, who is assistant chief of the personnel section at the Shanghai Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company's mill, was shot through the head while in a rickshaw going through the Yangtszepoo district. He was picked up by Japanese gendarmes and conveyed to Japanese headquarters and later to the infirmary of the cotton firm where he died.

Makino was a member of the Japanese Residents' Corporation.

All traffic was immediately suspended after the shooting as the Japanese authorities halted vehicles going in either direction at Yangtszepoo and instituted a minute search. A Japanese naval landing party and Japanese gendarmes threw a cordon around the scene of attack. Several Chinese were detained for questioning.

One cartridge shell proved to be the only tangible clue.

The shooting was particularly daring, as it took place in a heavily patrolled area in the vicinity of the Japanese wharves. Shooting north of Soochow Creek has been an extremely rare occurrence. There has also been a dearth of shootings in the foreign areas since police precautions were put into effect.

One suspect was detained in the neighbourhood of the crime, according to a Japanese spokesman at today's press conference.—*Reuter*.

CLASH IN HUNGJAO ROAD

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

A Japanese spokesman stated today that 10 armed Chinese bandits encountered Japanese troops at Hungjao Road this morning and engaged in an exchange of shots.

One bandit is reported to have been killed and another arrested, both being armed with Mauser pistols.—*United Press*.

Italy

Italians To Celebrate Air Force Day

Rome, Mar. 28.

Italian Air Force Day, destined to commemorate the enactment of the law of March 28, 1923, creating an autonomous air arm as an integral part of the fighting forces, was celebrated throughout the country to-day. In Rome a wreath was laid by two Italian Legionaries from Spain at the monument of the Unknown Soldier in Piazza Venezia in the presence of Signor Mussolini and 18,000 airmen, including 3,000 Legionaries.

In front of the "Altar of the Fatherland" 11 Duce subsequently decorated a number of airmen with the gold service medal, while relatives of 30 airmen who fell in Spain received commemorative medals.

Signor Mussolini, accompanied by members of the Government and numerous other leading personalities, afterwards watched a parade of 21,000 airmen in Via Impero.—*Trans-Ocean*.

FRENCH AWARDS

Recognition of Services Of Shanghai Officials

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

The French Municipal Council has unanimously endorsed the suggestion to award gold and silver medals to high officials of the International Settlement in recognition of their outstanding services during the past 18 months.

Mr. Sterling Fessenden, American Secretary-General of the Municipal Council who will be retiring shortly, will receive a gold medal, which will also be awarded to Major K. M. Beame, Municipal Police Commissioner, while Captain H. G. Reed, Municipal Council Fire Brigade chief, and Major J. T. Ford, Municipal Council Treasurer, who are also retiring, will receive the silver medal.—*United Press*.

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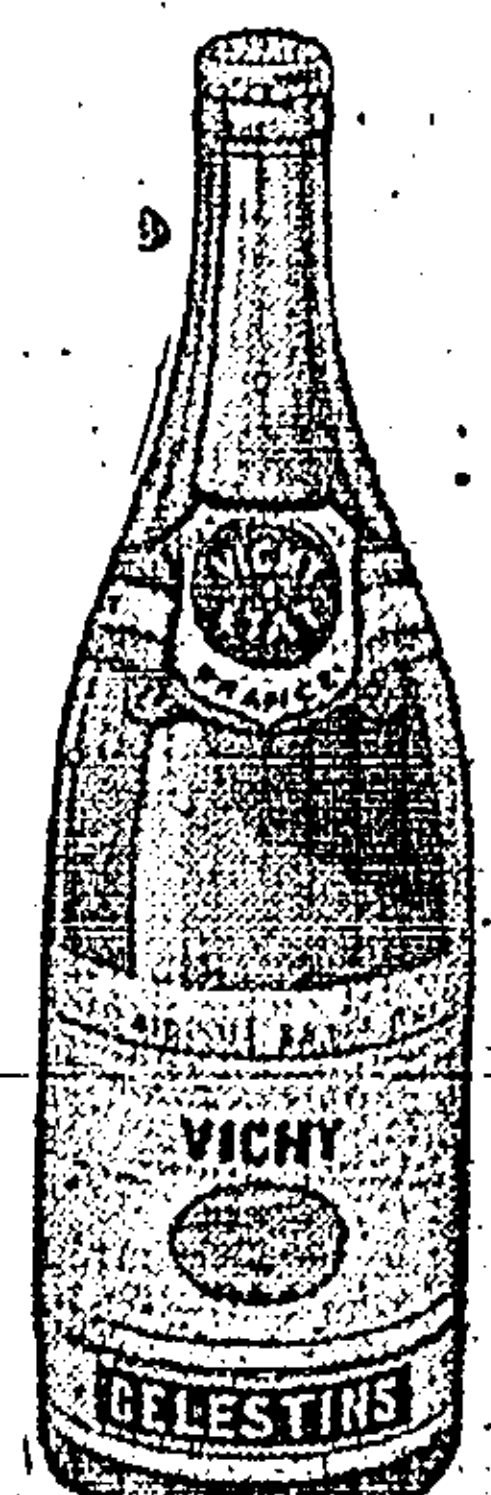
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South Africa

Colour Riots In Capetown

Capetown, Mar. 28.

Headed by a band carrying flaming torches, 4,000 coloured men marched to Parliament House. They tried to enter the grounds and booted the legislators watching from the steps of the House.

Assisted by civilians, the police succeeded in closing the gates after a desperate fight in which four members of the police had to be sent to hospital.

The demonstration was in the nature of a protest against the compulsory segregation of coloured men.—*Reuter*.

HEALTH BULLETINS

Two cases each of Diphtheria and Typhoid, 30 of Tuberculosis, 11 of Measles, one of Chicken-pox, and four of Meningitis, were reported on Monday.

The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Six cases of Small-pox with seven deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with five deaths, 18 of Typhoid with five deaths, 35 of Measles with 20 deaths, six of Chicken-pox with one death, 26 of Meningitis with 16 deaths, 10 of Dysentery with five deaths, one of Puerperal Fever, and 133 of Tuberculosis with 52 deaths.

MEDICAL REGISTER

The name of Dr. Chung-ching wang, a graduate of Edinburgh University, has been added to the local register of medical practitioners. Dr. Wang practised in the Colony some years ago.

STOLE FROM FRIEND

Young Girl Takes Watch From Fellow Lodger

Charged with the theft of a wrist-watch belonging to a friend, an 18-year-old girl, Tsai Su-fai, was bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for a year, by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

According to Inspector W. Mafr, defendant stayed in the same house, No. 238 Queen's Road West, ground floor, with complainant, Shum Pui-fong, a 17-year-old girl. Both were employed as apprentice hair-dressers. About 1 a.m. on March 25, Shum found her watch missing, and later it was found in the defendant's girdle.

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TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS

TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 3-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The latest stages of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the spasmodic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faulty position by Rumjahn and Hussain left many loop-holes for the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were entrenched at the net they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed lobs, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

This was the only match played. The other one scheduled, was not played, Lt. D. C. Marn and Lt. S. M. Afzal conceding a walk-over to Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky.

TODAY'S PROGRAMME

The following is the programme to-day:

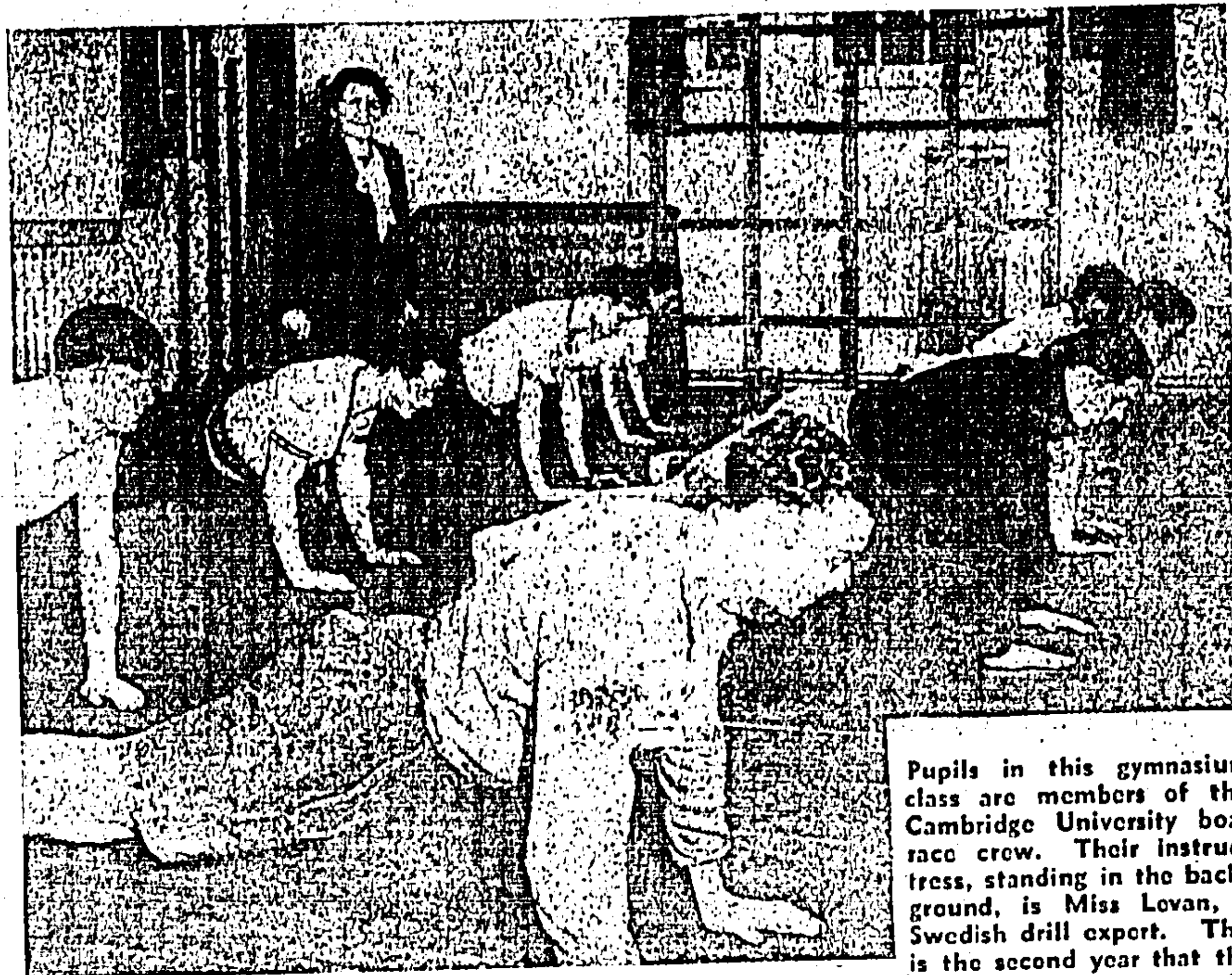
Open Singles—Tsui Yun-pai v. T. J. Gould; Leong Ping-chiu v. Lee Wai-long.

Handicap Mixed Doubles—H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews v. E. E. and Mrs. Story.

Handicap Singles—J. C. Pool v. A. T. Dow; V. R. Gordon v. T. C. Monaghan.

Handicap Doubles—J. W. Mayhew and L. Brown v. C. D. N. Walker and R. G. Gray; R. M. M. King and J. P. Murphy v. J. Thomson and R. G. Biesel.

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Pupils in this gymnasium class are members of the Cambridge University boat race crew. Their instructor, standing in the background, is Miss Loran, a Swedish drill expert. This is the second year that the Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon-Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macnamara

London, Mar. 2.

Promoter Sydney Halls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar, and Halls is getting round the difficulties engendered by those who say that Danahar can never again attempt to make the light-weight limit of 135 lbs. by fixing the fight at 105 lbs. That would be a comfortable weight for Danahar, and Boon would not mind the disparity.

That would be one half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protégé who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he wuzz robbed.

READY FOR THE SIGNING

The conference was timed yesterday with Sydney Halls, John Harding and Jack Solomons, Eric Boon's manager, in the West End of London. Solomons could not turn up, and final details of the Boon-Danahar fight were not arranged, but Sydney Halls assured me last night that it was all over bar the signing.

It seems that the well-known Boon eye has yielded to treatment, and he is better than expected, and he will be able to fight almost as soon as he gets back from his long holiday in America, so you may expect to hear any day now of a Boon-Danahar match on a Farr-Burman bill—at 105, over twelve rounds, at any public place from Salisbury Plain to the Devonshire Sporting Club.

HELPING RIVALS

That Harrington scrap has given a terrific fillip to business along the alley and a great deal of the effects will be seen even in the rival promotion of Johnny Best at Harrington on March 16, when Len Harvey and Larry Gains battle for the Empire heavyweight title.

Both men are in serious training. Harvey at his favourite camp, Jack Straw's, Castle, Hampstead, and Gains at Shoburness, where a variegated assortment of sparring partners testify to his fitness.

Fit or not, I will prognosticate thus far from the night of battle that Harvey will be the same fighting fury that he was against Phillips, and that being so Larry will have to be very fit indeed.

Nearer home there is the big show at the Albert Hall to-morrow night. Now this is interesting to me largely because the principal protagonists, Al Delaney of Canada and Jack London of West Hartlepool, are pretty much on trial. They have both shown good form, and when they are good they are quite good. They have both shown bad form, and when they are bad they are terrible.

CONTENTERS ON TRIAL

For six months now both have chased Harvey for a title fight, and it depends entirely on the kind of performance they give the cash customers in the Albert Hall how their

TIME-LIMITLESS TEST MATCHES NOT TO INTEREST OF CRICKET

London, March 15.

Everybody is not commenting on the timeless Test in South Africa and most of them are saying "I told you so." Here are some comments from famous people.

Walter Hammond (speaking at lunch yesterday at Durban) said "I hope that this is the last timeless Test that will ever be played between South Africa and England. I am convinced that these are not in the best interests of the game."

Sir Pelham Warner (former chairman of England's Selection Committee): "I would like to see five-day Tests in England and six-day matches in Australia and South Africa. In recent years it seems that many batsmen disregard their natural methods for unnecessary caution. In addition, the wickets are much too good."

"This problem of wickets is undergoing careful consideration, and I think that before the summer a definite move will be made to make the fight between bat and ball more even."

Sir Stanley Jackson (President of Yorkshire C.C.C.): England's effort in the last innings at Durban was a very satisfactory match. The feeling in this country, as far as I can judge, is very definitely against playing without some limit."

"I believe that a cricket match without a clock is certainly not what we used to regard as a cricket match. My view is that a good game should not be put in a position where it can be ridiculed."

Frank Chester (one of our leading umpires): "Timeless Tests are a wash-out. That Leeds wicket last summer was ideal. It provided an equal test of skill, it was not dangerous, and for three days we had thrill after thrill."

NO MORE SUCH?

The last and "timeless" Test Match of the series has ended indecisively and general opinion is that the experiment is unlikely to be tried again in matches between this country and South Africa. It is pointed out that a match which may last, as this did, for nine days of actual play (apart from a day of rain) is unlikely to produce the best

—as opposed to the most cautious—cricket, and the fact that interest was restored to the match towards the end by a magnificent M.C.C. innings cannot be reckoned as a normal probability.

This caveat against a repetition of one factor of the M.C.C. tour should not obscure its general success. The relations between the English team, finely captained by W. R. Hammond, and Alan Melville's South Africans have been excellent; no less pleasant has been the reception by the public in South Africa. Many in both countries will echo the wish expressed by the M.C.C.'s hosts that the interchange of visits may become more frequent. Certainly South Africa gave every sign, especially in the Fourth Test, of possessing a side of equal calibre to the team that has made cricket history by scoring, for the loss of five wickets, the largest total ever made in a fourth innings.

Right up to the very end, which was certainly one of the bitterest, this match remained a kind of cause-celèbre. The Friday before last most people were regretting that such an affair had ever been started—an opinion which the events of the subsequent few days did little to alter—but the news of the abandonment caused the greatest disappointment for it cannot be gainsaid that England's wonderful effort for victory had aroused widespread interest.

WICKET PERFECT

An interest, however, which was apt to lose sight of the fact that the pitch was practically as perfect as when the match began; and many of the South African spectators, throughout the game, must have sighed for the good old days of matting, when the ball did have a chance, and when the batsman had continually to be on the look-out. As it was 5,447 balls were delivered during this particular match, more than a quarter of the total number sent down by Turner and Ferris during the whole of the Australian tour of England in 1938.

POLO BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.

This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year! Ah, Money was spent lavishly. The defeat complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, in the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Baiding, Captain of the British squad, he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight recently. A big, ruddy-cheeked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had come direct from the arena, this serious young stalwart, whose polo was life itself. The first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at a meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing. He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacitation and the fact that Capt. Murphy's Guinness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Baiding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Heskeith Hughes, Bob Skene, John Laking, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad which could boast four 10-goal players.

Baiding outlined the campaign plans, which included a first exhibition match at Medwick Feb. 19. The west coast matches were to serve as trials for both riders and ponies, with the squad arriving at Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED

But the world of dreams has tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there always is the possibility that such an affair might arouse teammates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual, or team, which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.

The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1, from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Iglehart and Michael Phipps were all invited to participate in the trials. Phipps was accorded a ten-goal rating recently by the Polo Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal players as the nucleus of the international team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest, who last year lost goal handicaps; E. J. Boeske Jr., William Post Jr., E. E. Gerry, C. H. Bostwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. V. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handicaps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Tulkoo court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo (holders) defeated K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

The results were:

D. Kwok beat P. Lo 15-9, 10-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung 15-7, 15-5.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios 15-5, 15-10.

Home Football

RANGERS MAKE SURE OF LEAGUE

London, Mar. 28. Glasgow Rangers made certain of the championship of the First Division in the Scottish Football League to-day by visiting Clyde and playing a draw of 1-1. The point gained from this encounter ensures the Rangers of remaining at the top of the League Table irrespective of the results of their remaining matches.

The following were the results of the matches played:

LEAGUE TABLE				
The following are the leading teams in the Scottish League:				
	P	W	D	L
Rangers	34	23	8	3
Celtic	32	17	7	8
Falkirk	34	17	7	10
Aberdeen	33	17	6	10
Queen's Park	34	16	8	10

Football Matches Re-Arranged

Owing to the annual inspection of the Middlesex Regiment, the first division football match between the Middlesex and Eastern, which was scheduled for to-day, has been postponed until Friday at Soekunpoo at 5 p.m.

The following matches have been re-arranged from Saturday to Monday and Tuesday, next week:

Monday—Second Division, Royal Scots v. South China (Military ground), 5 p.m.

Tuesday—First Division, Royal Scots v. South China "B" (Soekunpoo), 5 p.m.

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourney

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Forty teams entered for the Six-a-side hockey competition, organized by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground.

Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines. All matches, including the final, will be played off on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at this time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own Club colours.

Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played.

The draw resulted as follows: **First Round—8th A.A. v. Radio "A"; Persus "A" v. Kumon "A";** **Second Round—Officers H.M.S. Medway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla; Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College "A"; C.B.A. "B" v. U.S.R.C. "B"; A.A. or Radio "A" v. Persus "A" or Kumon "A".**

C.B.A. Ground
First Round—Recreo "C" v. 8th R.A. "B"; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".

Recreo Ground
First Round—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".

Second Round—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Kadourie School; R. Scots v. Recreo "B"; Radio "B" or Nomads "B" v. Motor Torpedo Boats or Middlesex "B".

Navy Ground No. 2
First Round—C.B.A. "A" v. Persus "A";

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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Second Round—Nomads "B" v. 7th A.A.; Birmingham "B" v. Kumon "B"; Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex "A"; C.B.A. "A" or Persus "B" v. Recreo "A" or R.A.O.C. "B".

In the semi-finals, the winners of Navy Ground No. 1 will meet the winners of C.B.S. Ground; the winners of Recreo Ground will meet winners of Navy Ground No. 2.

MID-WEEK MATCHES

St. Andrew's and Hongkong Hockey Club Teams Chosen

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Cney Clarke Cup hockey match against the "Y" Ladies on the "Y" Ground to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.

J. Hall; G. White and M. Rozan; P. Pettigrew, J. Wong and H. Reid; F. Wong, E. Churn, I. Gittins, A. Zimmerman, and T. Jex.

Brown Cup Team

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup hockey match against the "Y" Ladies on the "Y" Ground to-morrow at 5.15 p.m.

H. O'Sullivan; M. Newman and J. Brown; P. Pettigrew, Y. Ho and M. Vessona; S. Arnold, V. Jex, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

EASTER GOLF

Kowloon v. Happy Valley Annual Match

The following starting times have been arranged for the annual golf match between the Kowloon C.C. and Happy Valley golfers on Friday, April 7, on the Kowloon course:

Kowloon C.C. v. Happy Valley
9.00 a.m. W. R. K. Collins v. W. J. S. Key
9.10 a.m. E. F. Fincher v. L. Goldman
9.20 a.m. A. J. Dennis v. A. McKellar
9.30 a.m. W. S. Hillier v. W. Sharp
9.40 a.m. W. Peterson v. F. Humphreys
9.50 a.m. W. V. Ahern v. D. D. Forbes
9.54 a.m. W. C. Simpson v. J. W. Macdonald

Happy Valley
9.20 a.m. F. C. Barry v. W. F. Barnes
9.30 a.m. J. D. Thomson v. D. Humphreys
9.40 a.m. E. M. M. v. L. v. Goldman
9.50 a.m. G. P. Murphy v. J. A. R. Selby
9.54 a.m. T. Lamb v. F. F. Booker
9.58 a.m. H. Buckner v. F. F. Booker
9.58 a.m. A. Davies v. G. E. Willerton
10.00 a.m. E. C. Fincher v. G. T. May
10.00 a.m. W. Baskin v. N. J. Booker

Reserves
10.04 a.m. W. Hyde v. A. Brooksbank
10.08 a.m. W. Groves v. A. J. MacFadyen

OLD BEGGAR ROBBED

Compensated With Money From Court Poor Box

The theft of \$5 from a 75-year-old beggar named Wong Kan at Portland Street, Mongkok, brought Sin Yiu, 30, unemployed, before Mr. E. Hingworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday. Sin was additionally charged with possession of a filed chisel. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour on the first charge and to one month on the second, the terms to run concurrently.

Wong was sleeping in the street when he felt someone touching his girdle. He tried to get up, but was pushed down again. When he finally got up, he saw three men, who ran away. He raised the alarm, and pursued the men, and the defendant was arrested by a pedestrian.

The \$5 taken from Wong was not recovered. His Worship ordered that \$2 be given to the old man as compensation from the Poor Box.

Ango-Indian Pact Rejected

New Delhi, Mar. 28. The Indian Assembly, by 59 votes to 47, refused today to approve the Indo-British trade agreement. The Moslem League abstained from voting.—Reuter.

TEXAS ORANGES

McAllen, Tex. George Chapapa, orchardist, reported the 24-year-old orchard of Mrs. H. F. Ferry of McAllen produced 04,000 pounds of oranges during the past season. It is a one-acre orchard and Chapapa believes the production is a record.



Loretta Young and Joel McCrea are starred in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Blind Mice," featuring Pauline Moore, David Niven, Stuart Erwin and Marjorie Weaver (left to right).

Nine Records Broken At Wah Yan Meet

No less than nine records, six track and three field were broken at the fourteenth annual athletic meeting of Wah Yan College which was held at the Caroline Hill Stadium, yesterday.

The track was in splendid condition due to the fall of rain a few days ago, while the weather was ideal from the competitors' point of view, although a slight drizzle of rain fell towards the end of the meet.

White House were the winners of "The Shou Son Chow Championship Shield" with a total of 151 points, followed by Black House with 103½ points, and Red House with 151 points.

Mr. C. G. Solis, Director of Education, presented the prizes at the end of the sports.

The results were: **Long Jump, C Grade—1, Hung Wai-ching; 2, Wong Pak-wai; 3, Lee Shing-wing. Distance 17 ft. 6 ins.**

Putting the Weight, C Grade—1, Kan Yue-long; 2, Yung; 3, Tai Chan-hoi. Distance 25 ft. 4 ins.

High Jump, C Grade—1, Hung Wai-ching; 2, Yung; 3, Man Tak-kwong. Height 4 ft. 2 ins.

100 Metres, A Grade—1, Yue Jui-tak; 2, Lee Chung-yin; 3, Cheung Kwong. Time 12.2 secs.

Long Jump, B Grade—1, Li Yu-tong; 2, Lai Chung-yin; 3, Hung Wai-ching. Distance 18 ft. 3 ins.

100 Metres, B Grade—1, Hung Wai-ching; 2, Fung Chun-ying; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Time 14.6 secs.

200 Metres, B Grade—1, Chan Yee-fong; 2, Yung; 3, Wong Yee-nin. Time 25.3 secs.

400 Metres, A Grade—1, Fung Kiu-ling; 2, Ho Koo-yin; 3, G. Hong. Time 60.2 secs.

Long Jump, A Grade—1, Yue Jui-tak; 2, Lai Chung-yin; 3, Man Tak-kwong. Distance 20 ft. 3 ins.

100 Metres, C Grade—1, Hung Wai-ching; 2, Wong Pak-wai; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Time 24.4 secs.

100 Metres, B Grade—1, Lai Chung-yin; 2, Yung; 3, Yung Sze-yee. Time 12.4 secs.

Junior boys Wah Yan, Kowloon—1, Lam Kwok-leung; 2, Leung Yui-keung; 3, Wong Pak-wai. Time 24.4 secs.

200 Metres, A Grade—1, Chan Yee-fong; 2, Lai Chung-yin; 3, Taul Wing-tee. Time 25.3 secs.

400 Metres, B Grade—1, Chun Wing-fong; 2, Wong Pak-wai; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Time 30.5 secs.

400 Metres, C Grade—1, Fung Kiu-ling; 2, Ho Koo-yin; 3, G. Hong. Time 60.2 secs.

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 28. Donald Budge has deserted his old doubles partner, Gene Mako, to name Wayne Sabin as the best bet for No. 2 player on the next U.S. Davis Cup team.

Budge, here for a match with Ellsworth Vines in their tour to decide the national professional championship, pointed to Sabin's clean sweep of Florida tournaments this winter as the basis for the slender Los Angeles netman's claims for Davis Cup consideration.

In the four tournaments he won in Florida, Sabin trounced Mako three times in the finals.

Budge and Vines agreed that Bobby Riggs of Chicago virtually was a cinch for the No. 1 post on the American Davis Cup team. Budge believes that Riggs was the best amateur in the United States and probably in the world.

Jack Bromwich, the Australian who swings with either hand and often both, was named by Budge as probably second to Riggs among the world's amateur players.

Budge and Vines mentioned Bryan (Bile) Grant of Atlanta and Frankie Parker of Spring Lake, N.J., as Davis Cup possibilities in the event Sabin's game does not hold up in spring tournaments.—United Press.

Putting the Weight, B Grade—1, Wong Yee-nin; 2, Yung Sze-yee; 3, Chan Yee-fong. Distance 41 ft. 6 ins. (Record).

100 Metres, B Grade—1, Yue Jui-tak; 2, Lee Chung-yin; 3, Cheung Kwong. Time 12.2 secs.

400 Metres open to B. C. A. A.—1, Mak Shing-ung; 2, Wong Pak-wai. Time 58.3 secs.

400 Metres, B Grade Inter-House Relay Race—1, Black House; 2, Green House; 3, Blue House. Time 51 secs.

300 Metres Handicap Relay Race—1, Black House; 2, Red House; 3, White House. Time 51.6 secs.

POSTPONED MEETING
St. Stephen's College Conclude Annual Sports at Stanley

The Group Championship of the St. Stephen's College Sports was won by the Dragons yesterday afternoon, when the continuation of the sports was held at Stanley. The Senior Championship cup was won by Lou Kou-chen, and the Junior by Liu Yin-shan.

Prizes were distributed in the Hall by Mrs. W. S. New. The winners of the events were as follows: Pole Vault—1, Kwok Chi-hung; 2, Lay Lok-yung; 3, Han Tam-yuan; 4, Alex Chan.

Junior 110 Metres Low Hurdles—1, Li Yin-shan; 2, Wong Hong-ching; 3, Chan Yee-fong. Time 24.4 secs.

Junior 10 Metres High Hurdles—1, Lo Kuo-chen; 2, Ng Wei-wai; 3, Maurice Chang; 4, Kwok Chi-hung.

Boys' Three-Legged Race—1, Owen Hang-shing; 2, Mo Chu-ling; 3, Wong Hong-ching. Time 1.1 min.

Boys' High Jump—1, Wong Hong-ching; 2, Tan Yoo-chai; 3, Owen Hang-shing and Kaeul (Utd).

Servant Race—1, Chan Yoo-lai; 2, 1,500 Metres—1, Tau Kiang-khoi; 2, Lou Kou-chen; 3, Alex Chan.

OUR SPELLING BEE (See page 7) floriferous—follicle—sedentary—seigneur—seismograph—ammunition

CRICKET FIXTURES REARRANGED

With the programme spoiled by rain last week-end, the Hongkong Cricket League Committee have rearranged the remaining League matches as follows:

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

First Division
Hongkong C.C. v. C.C.C.
Club de Recreo v. Royal Navy

Second Division

C.C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.
Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
C.S.C.S. v. Club de Recreo

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

First Division
C.S.C.C. v. Army

Second Division

Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.
Indian R.C. v. Club de Recreo

SATURDAY APRIL 15

Second Division
Royal Navy v. University

The League Committee have had no time to consult the various clubs regarding these fixtures, but they hope the clubs will co-operate by agreeing with the dates arranged. Those who cannot are asked to communicate with Mr. A. H. Madar, Hon. Secretary of the League, as soon as they can.

Hongkong C.C. Teams

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. in League cricket matches against the Craigengower C.C. on Saturday:

1st XI (Home)—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), H. D. Bidwell, D. S. Blake, D. Bryan-Gower, J. H. Fox, J. L. Hiley, L. D. Kilbee, W. G. New, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and L. T. Rids.

2nd XI (Away)—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), A. C. Beck, C. W. E. Bishop, V. C. Bond, N. P. Fox, H. J. D. Lowe, A. K. Mackenzie, D. O. Parsons, J. E. Potter, D. S. Robb and C. M. Stark.

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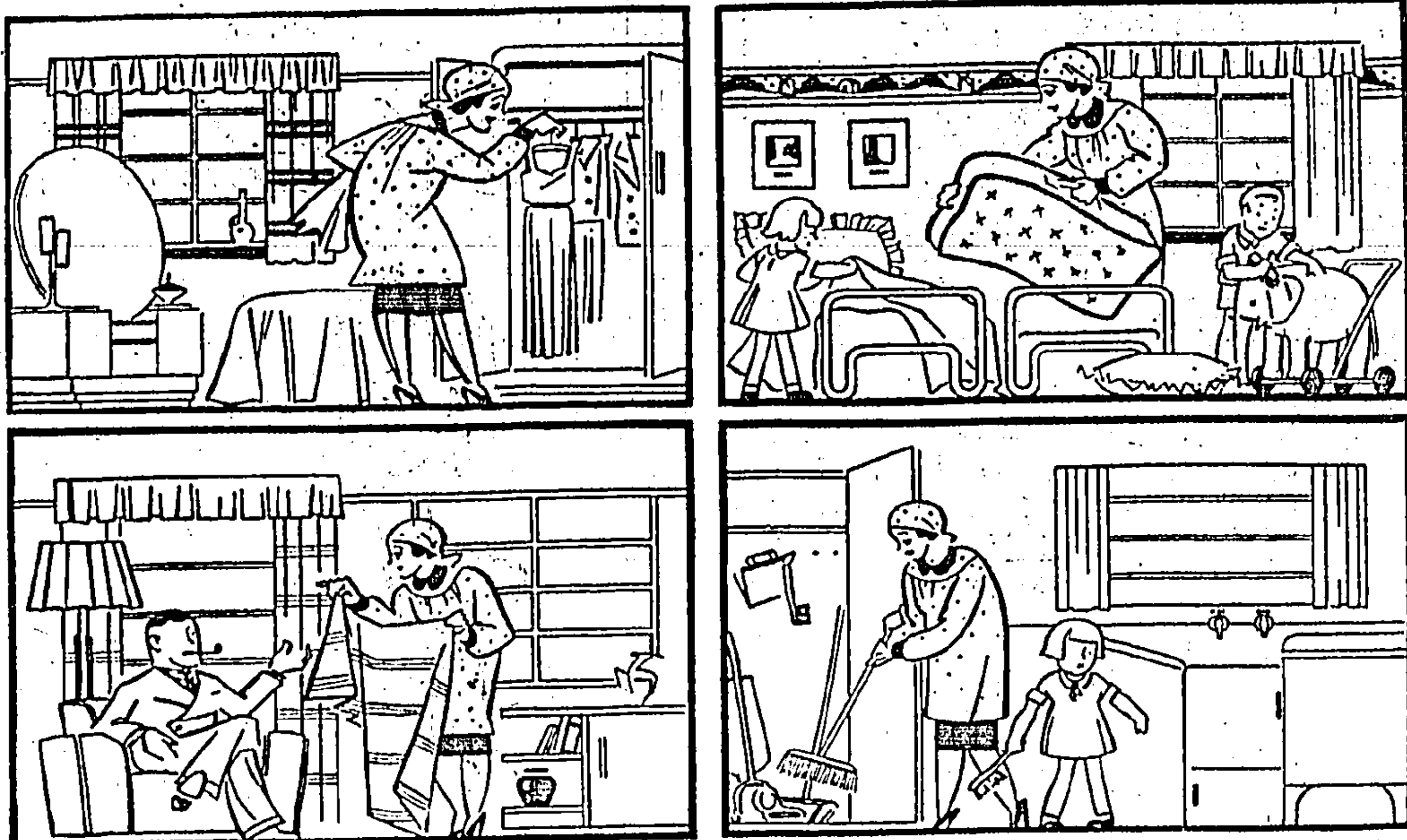
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Preparing for * the Spring Clean *



- * Make space for new clothes by getting rid of white elephants.
- * Take note of mattresses and sagging springs which need attention.
- * Father will like to be consulted about the new curtains.
- * Most important! See that equipment is in good order.

LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrup of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the boggy it used to be.

It's no if, when all the polishing and painting, soap-sudsing and scrubbing have been done and everything is shining like a new pin, we have really pushed Old Man Winter back into his place and the sunshine has come into its own once more.

Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

little advance planning will save the house being turned upside down when the campaign starts.

Discomfort at home, even in a good case, has a bad effect on temper of husband and family. The homemaker herself gets less fired if she has everything worked out in advance and can take the spring clean in her stride.

Newly Wed

I was married last summer, so am new to housekeeping. Can you help me to work out a spring cleaning programme?—*Coventry*.

DECIDE first what decorating or repairs are necessary and get these done before you start on the spring clean. Also arrange for the sweep in good time.

You can save yourself trouble if you make out a list of repairs, and another of cleaning materials and any mops or dusters to be bought.

Spread the spring clean over a fortnight, leaving one weekday and Saturday and Sunday clear in each week for "breathing space."

This arrangement would enable you to do the three bedrooms, bathroom and landing in the first week; living room, dining-room, kitchen and hall in the second week. Work from the top of the house downwards.

Treatment for Tapestry

Is it possible to clean tapestry upholstery at home?—*Motherwell*.

HOT bran is good for general cleaning, but there is also a carpet shampoo which can be used on

upholstery. It is added to a warm lather made with soap flakes and is worked into the pile with a nail brush. No rinsing is necessary.

Lighter Woodwork

Doors and woodwork were stained with creosote when we first moved to this house, but we would like to have them painted this spring—*Portsmouth*.

If you give the woodwork an initial coat of good aluminium paint before the undercoating and finishing paint, there should be no risk of the creosote working through and spoiling the paint.

Pelmet v. Frills

I want to change from frills to pelmet with my new curtains. How do I fix them?—*Fareham*.

HAVE a pelmet board fitted to each window. It is a simple

wooden shelf with rounded or square corners, and the metal curtain runner is fixed to the underside.

The finished pelmet is backed along the front edge of the board.

Spare Room

We want to turn our third bedroom into a spare room. It is furnished with oddments: mahogany wardrobe, cane armchair, oak washstand and divan. I have some green linoleum. Any suggestions?

START by distemper walls and ceiling soft apricot pink and paint the woodwork pale apple green. Leave the wardrobe's present mahogany colour or enamel it to match the woodwork. Take the back off the washstand, cover the top with plywood and drape it with a chintz or crotonne petticoat for a dressing table.

Curtains would be of the same chintz: a tiny flower pattern on cream ground. Enamel the chair apple green and have a green fitted cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.

Brush Hair For Beauty

THERE is beauty in your hair. Bring it out with vigorous brushing and proper care. Now that the up and down controversy appears settled, you can concentrate on the thing that really matters—the health and texture of your topknot. Whether your hair is shining and silky or stringy and dull depends on the attention you give it—not on your latest haircut or a recent permanent.

Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person it adorns, so if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and brushed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

Check Your Health
Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, anemia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and falling hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected you will see an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

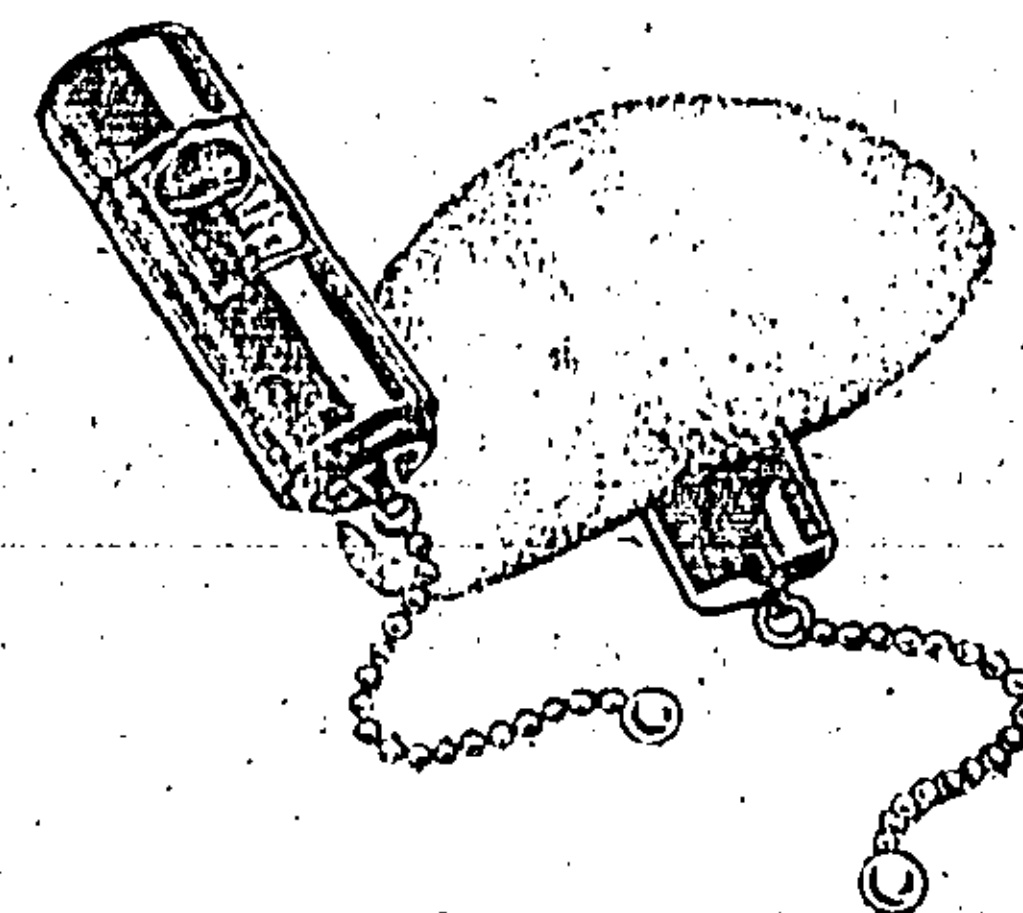
In the majority of cases, however, sensible living, regular shampoos, an occasional oil treatment (even for oily hair) and 10 minutes of brushing night and morning with a clean brush will bring about a miraculous change.

Perhaps the main reason for brushing your hair is cleanliness. First, brush the back of your head from the hairline to the crown to stimulate the circulation. When the scalp has a warm, tingling sensation, go over the entire head. Begin at the middle of the back and, separating the hair into one-inch strands, brush each one with brisk upward strokes. After each third lifting-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by fluffing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to lift the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curls upward or back in the direction they should go and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily
Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soap suds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formula to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry the brush, bristles downward, on a Turkish towel.

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New York. As a compliment to the New York World's Fair, French and English designs are playing up blues and oranges, drawn from the blue and orange of the New York State flag. The blue strikes a new colour note in fine mesh linens; orange is smart in mixed tweeds. Plaid and striped taffetas keyed up to orange are advanced for evening wear, these being given more importance than those keyed up to the blue.

Selection of just the right cast and intensity of contrasting colour to combine with a selected costume shade will be important this spring. An example this year is found in the wide variety of yellows which have been brought forward to use with black, and various shades of navy. As reported previously, slightly greenish tones of yellow are favoured to combine with black. But gold and the more subtle wheat yellow are used with the light navy which the exclusive costume houses are showing.

Returning from Europe with new ideas for spring, millinery representatives single out "cognac" as a new colour in straw. This shade is described as a golden cast of light brown. It is recommended for its novelty, and suggested for individual emphasis.

Skirts are still swirling, flaring, flowing. If there was any suspicion that the world of American fashions was tired of the spreading skirt and hankered after a narrow line, current New York fashion upstagers dispel the idea. Fullness all around, voluminous rippling width, front fullness, back flares, loose pleats, gathers, and masses of all-side fullness, with enough fullness to widen the silhouette and leave the front and back flat. It's a formal fashion.



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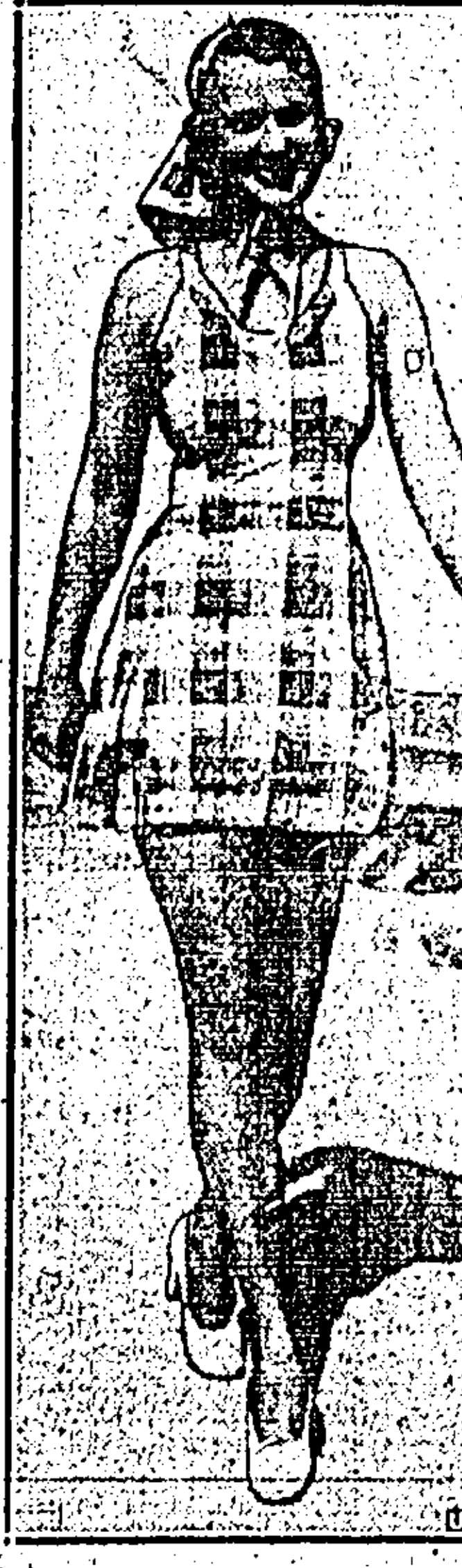
Blunt warning to dictators and aggressive nations to stay out of the Americas was given recently by President Roosevelt, before he left Key West, Fla., to watch the fleet manoeuvres. He is at left, facing a battery of microphones. Admiral William E. Leahy, centre, and Mayor W. M. Albury, right.



Safely recovered from a recent serious illness, Senator William E. Borah, Republican, of Idaho, is back at work at his desk in the Senate Office building, Washington. He is dean of the Senate.



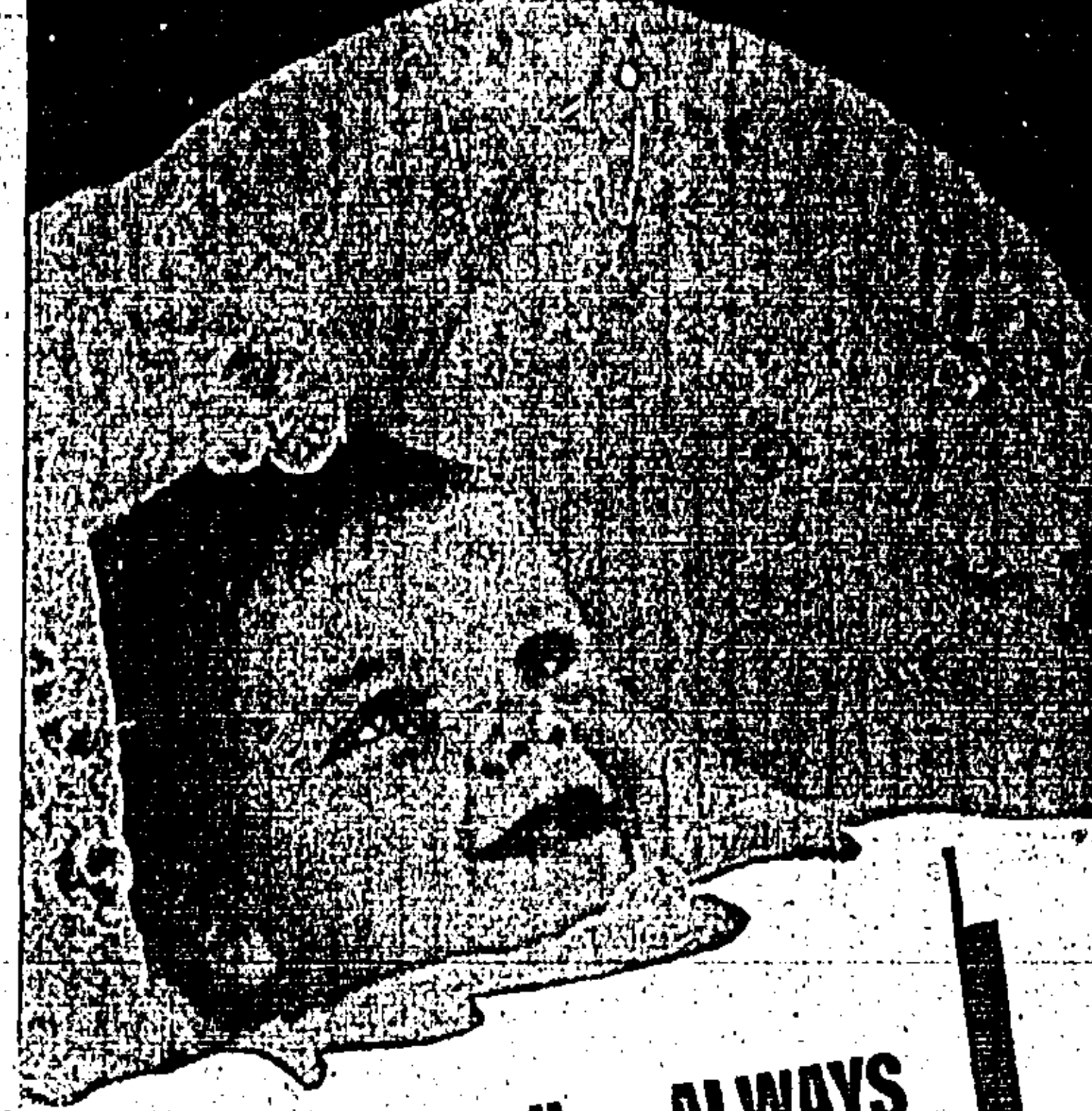
Ill with malaria and bleeding from a cut on the forehead, Alex Henshaw, 24, British airman, is given a hero's welcome at Gravesend, England, after a record-breaking flight to Cape Town and back in 4 1/2 days.



Miss Peggy LeBaron of New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft of Denver, Colo., wears this seersucker plaid check playsuit at Palm Beach, Fla. Blue is the dominant colour.



This rare picture shows General Francisco Franco, victorious Spanish sultan commander in Spain, as a cadet at the Spanish Infantry Academy at Toledo. He was then about 14 years old.



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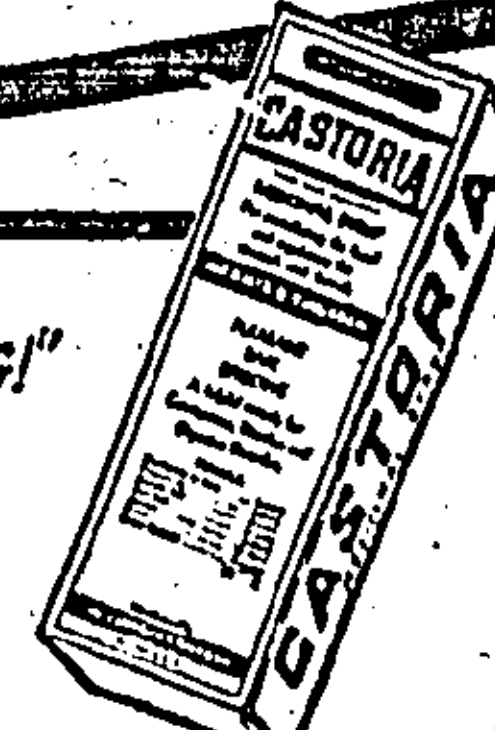
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The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

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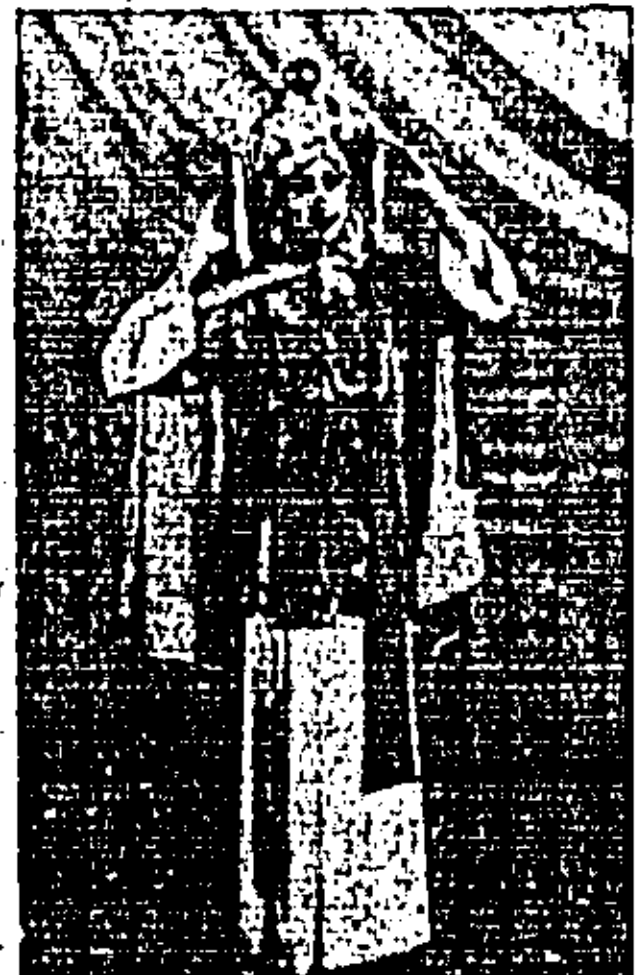
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U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28.
THE UNITED STATES EM-BASSY has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.
One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.
Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Sian in Shensi, Pingliang in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wunhsien in Szechuen.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Another Vacancy In House of Commons

London, Mar. 28.
Another vacancy has occurred in the House of Commons by the death of Sir George Harvey, Conservative member for the Kennington Division of Lambeth from 1924 to 1929 and since 1931.
Sir George was 69 years old and had served for 12 years on the Holborn Borough Council. He was Mayor for four successive years up to 1924. He also served as member for Holborn on the London County Council. He was a director of the famous Cafe Royal off Piccadilly Circus.—Reuter Special.

There are now eight by-elections pending to fill vacancies in the House of Commons, seven of which are for Government seats.

STATE FUNERAL

Former Ambassador to Paris
Buried in Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 28.
The Foreign Office accorded the late Mr. Yotaro Sugimura, former Ambassador to France, a Ministry funeral to-day, conducted according to Buddhist rites at the Nishi Honganji Cathedral, at Tsukiji, Tokyo.
Ministers of State, high Government officials, foreign diplomatic representatives, including the Italian Ambassador, Signor Giacinto Auriti, and the French Ambassador, M. Arsene Henry, and a large number of notables attended the funeral.
The French Ambassador, in his memorial address, said the French Government and people share the profound grief of Japan in the loss of the distinguished Ambassador.—Domei.

COUNCIL MEETING

Eight Bills for Second And Third Readings

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 23, 1939, be adopted.
The Attorney General is to move the second and third readings of:
"A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."
"A Bill to make better provision for the prevention and punishment of endeavours to seduce members of His Majesty's forces, or any member of any local Naval, Military or Police force, corps or reserve, from their duty, or from their allegiance to His Majesty."
"A Bill to amend the law relating to the professional qualifications required in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court and Full Court."
"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the registration of persons."
"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the taxation of Hydrocarbon Oils."
"A Bill to authorize an undertaking for the reclamation of, and to be about the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier approaches and Connaught Road to the Eastward of such approaches between Queen Victoria Street and Pottinger Street and for construction of a pier extending seawards from such reclamation and also for the construction of a temporary pier between the said reclamation and Douglas Wharf."
"A Bill to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1938."
"A Bill to make provision for the Colony's yearly contributions to His Majesty's Government for defence."

LATE NEWS

Wuning Stormed In Storm

Japanese communique claims
Wuning captured in thunderstorm at
3 a.m.

"HALT HITLER" PLANS

Premier's Statement To Commons

LONDON, Mar. 28.
IN THE HOUSE OF Commons to-day the Prime Minister indicated that Britain's plan for a Four Power "Halt Hitler" front includes concrete measures against future aggression in Europe.

He did not say that a military alliance had been proposed, but he declared that Britain's proposals go beyond mere consultation in the event of aggression.

He refused to reveal details of consultations which are still in progress.

Replying to the Labour Member, Mr. Hugh Dalton, who asked the Premier to explain the proposed consultation agreement, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What the Government has in mind goes a good deal further than consultation."

Mr. Dalton queried whether Britain would join other countries in aiding Poland in the event of aggression.
To this, Mr. Chamberlain declined to answer but he said, "The Government has made it perfectly clear, to other governments with which they are prepared to consult, exactly what the Government is prepared to do."

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, told questioners that trade negotiations with Germany have been suspended.—United Press.

ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS

London, Mar. 28.
Replying to Mr. Harry Greenwood in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain stated: "The Government is actively continuing consultations with other governments on the issues arising from recent events. During the progress of these consultations, the House will appreciate that it is essential their confidential character be respected."
"The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned."
Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether, in order to remove

Wounded Flow Into Shanghai Cotton Mill Turned Into Hospital

CHUNGKING, Mar. 28.
AS ALL hospitals in Shanghai for Japanese wounded soldiers have been filled to capacity, the Japanese have converted the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Hongkew into a hospital for wounded soldiers, a Shanghai message reveals.
As fighting has been renewed on the Yangtze front, many wounded Japanese soldiers have been carried to Shanghai for medical treatment.—

apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS
Mr. Chamberlain replied: "It will be understood from what I have previously said, what the Government has in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I do not think I should like to go into any further detail at the moment."
In reply to further questions, the Premier said that the Government had made it perfectly clear to the other governments what Britain was prepared to do. There would be a discussion on the matter at the earliest possible moment in the House.

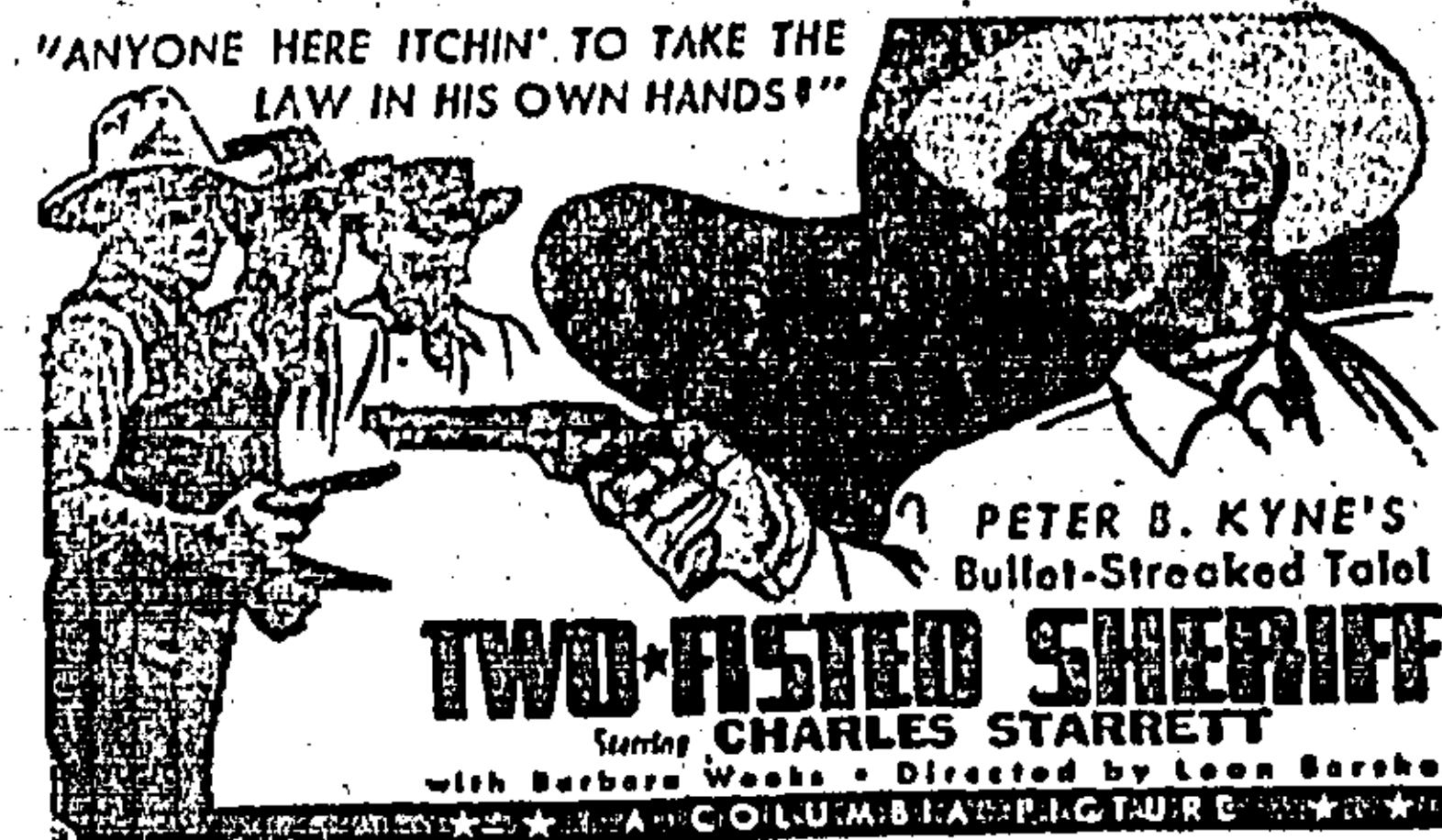
Mr. Chamberlain added: "The Government fully realises the urgency of this matter and the desirability of coming to a conclusion at the earliest possible moment, but there is more than one government involved, and decision is not solely a decision of His Majesty's Government."—Reuter.

DEFENCE PARLEYS
IN WELLINGTON
London, Mar. 28.
Making a written reply to a question asked on March 24 regarding the proposed Pacific Conference, in which representatives of Great Britain, New Zealand and Australia will participate, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the composition of the United Kingdom delegation was suitable for the question to be discussed.
Lieut-Commander Fletcher asked if the Prime Minister had not considered that events, which had transpired since the conference was announced, rendered it of far greater importance than originally contemplated, and from that point of view, would he consider strengthening representation so as to make it one of first-class importance.
The Prime Minister replied: "The matter has been carefully considered, and I am satisfied we have the right composition."—Reuter.

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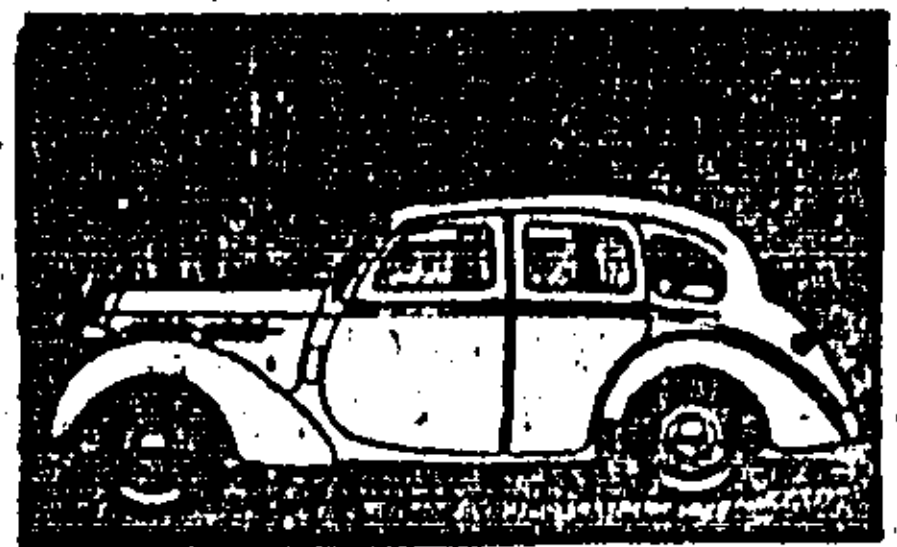
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POLAND CALLS UP 1,000,000 RESERVE

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EXTRAORDINARY
Polish military precautions, amounting to a partial mobilisation, are reported by the "Ce Soir" in a report from Warsaw this evening.

The paper declares that in course of the last four days, 750,000 reservists were called to the colours, in addition to the 300,000 men called up last week.

Thus Poland has now mobilised more than one million men.

In addition, Poland is taking steps which will bring industry on a war-time footing.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN TROOPS

MOVE

WARSAW, Mar. 29.
RELIABLE REPORTS state that large numbers of German troops are moving into position near Danzig.

It is feared that Germany is commencing the same tactics against Poland as those employed against Czechoslovakia and Lithuania.

It is learned on good authority in Warsaw that the Polish Government has informed Germany that any discussions on the future of Danzig are out of the question.

The Polish Note is also stated to have added that there is no justification for the language used in the Berlin statement to the foreign press.

From Yugo-Slavia it is reported that anti-German demonstrations are increasingly evident among the Croats.

SUDDEN CAMPAIGN

"The Danzig problem must be settled."

"Germany is shocked at the increased anti-German activities in Poland."

This is the type of semi-official statements issued in Berlin to foreign newspaper correspondents.

The sudden German propaganda campaign against Poland is regarded as ominous in diplomatic circles, in view of the parallel it has with previous German campaigns.

Reports of renewed anti-German rioting in Danzig and Poland evoke surprise everywhere except in Germany.

It is realised that the inspired reports, which are being released exclusively by the official Deutsch News Bureau, are a systematic attempt to undermine German-Polish relations.

No news has reached London of any untoward anti-German incidents, and certainly nothing has happened in either Poland or Danzig to justify the language employed by the D.N.B. Agency.

D.N.B. claims in official statements to foreign press correspondents that Germans are being beaten and—

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SEAFORTH'S BENEDICTS TO JOIN WIVES HERE

SHANGHAI, Mar. 29.
AFTER BEING SEPARATED for a year and a half, apart from three days, the married men of the 1st Battalion the Seaforth Highlanders will be able to greet their families in Hongkong in the near future.

News of this privilege was confirmed by British army officials yesterday, who said that confirmation had been received from the War Office.

The married men of the Battalion, about 30 in all, will be given free passage to Hongkong from Shanghai.—Reuter.

Leaders Flee To Paris

With their departure from Madrid yesterday the Republican Government has completed the circuit of their wanderings.

CIVIL WAR COLLAPSES IN SPAIN

Republican Leaders Flee To France

MADRID, Mar. 28.

AFTER NEARLY three years of a "little Great War," which threatened to engulf Europe, the conflict in Spain appears to have ended with the Nationalists' entrance into Madrid which was greeted by nearly a million survivors of the most terrible siege of modern times.

To finish the territorial conquest, there remains merely the cleaning up of a wedge shaped area extending from Eastar southward to the Mediterranean.

Other cities have not surrendered formally and unconditionally but their resistance is shattered and the people want peace.

Their soldiers have surrendered by the thousands and their leaders have fled.

General Miaja has left for the coast and it is reported that he will board a foreign warship at Valencia.—United Press.

"Viva Franco"

Madrid, Mar. 29.
The surrender of Madrid was announced over the Madrid radio station by a Nationalist announcer who concluded by shouting: "Viva Franco."

The radio station was seized by the Nationalists yesterday morning. A broadcast appeal was launched from all Nationalist stations, appealing to Republicans to surrender to prevent further bloodshed.

The appeal stated: "You can count on General Franco's sense of fair play. When General Franco promises a pardon, he keeps his word. It is useless to resist, and we urge surrender without delay."

Immediately after the entry of Nationalist troops into Madrid today, all political prisoners were liberated. They were mostly young Falangists. They seized flags and mounted guard at the prisons, where previously they had been incarcerated.

Red berets are appearing everywhere, and also red and black armlets with arrows, which is the badge of the Falangists.

Flags are flying everywhere, and demonstrations are being held in many places throughout the country.—Reuter.

Valencia To Surrender?

VALENCIA, Mar. 28.
The National Defence Council here is believed to be negotiating for an early entry of the Nationalists into Valencia.—Reuter.

Defence Council Flees

Paris, Mar. 29.
Members of the Council of the Spanish National Defence have arrived in Valencia, according to a message received here.

They are "confering" under the command of General Miaja. With Nationalist aircraft ceaselessly flying over Madrid the first act of its new masters was to order the staffs of theatres, cinemas and other places of entertainment to stay at their posts, in order that the life of the city should continue normally.

During the afternoon the first food lorries of General Franco's social help

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"Mercy" Mother Freed By Executive Council

LAU SHUK-HING, the 22-year-old "compassion" mother who was sentenced to imprisonment for life by the Chief Justice on January 25 for the murder of her 18-months-old baby, has been pardoned by His Excellency the Governor.

The girl-mother has already been released on the understanding that she consents to remain in the Salvation Army Home until October this year. After October she will be entirely free.

She is eloquent, and expects to become the mother of another child in September.

The baby will be born in the Salvation Army Home.

Judge's Sympathy

When the Chief Justice passed sentence on Lau he said:

"There is only one sentence which I can pass upon you according to the law which I have to administer.

"That sentence is that you be confined in prison with such labour as you are fit to perform for the term of your natural life.

"The Jury have recommended you to mercy in the strongest terms and that recommendation I shall be glad to support and endorse.

"I think you may rest assured that the sentence which you will eventually have to undergo will be considerably less than the one which I have formally passed upon you.

Lau was found guilty of taking the life of her baby.

In her evidence the girl-mother, who collapsed several times during her trial, said that her husband's earnings as a waiter were insufficient to meet the household expenses, and she had to give him from time to time the jewellery from her dowry.

They quarrelled over money, and her husband left her to live with his mother.

"I thought of committing suicide because I realised that my husband's income would be insufficient if he had looked after me and his mother at two different places.

"I bought a dollar's worth of opium. When I took it my child cried. I then realised that after my death my child would suffer as it would not go to anybody except me. I thought it would be better for her to die also, so I gave her the remaining opium.

"It was my wish that she should die with me."

SOUTH AFRICA'S £6,000,000 PLAN

THE Union Government is hurriedly strengthening South Africa's defences at a cost of £6,000,000, spread over the next three years.

Cape Town is to be made "battleship proof" by mounting 15-inch guns, while Port Elizabeth and East London—important ports on the Union's 4,000-mile coastline—are to be fortified.

In the air South Africa is building up a force of 750 warplanes, mostly purchased from Britain, and a thousand pilots are in training.

Joan Forgot Her Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 28.

JOAN CRAWFORD, famed film star, failed to obtain a divorce from her husband, Franchot Tone, another prominent film actor, which she filed last month, because she was not present to-day in court when the suit came up for hearing.

The judge set April 18 as the new date for the hearing.—Reuter.

WUNING FALLS IN THUNDERSTORM

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Japanese Enter Strategic City



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Grinvald, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Juliana and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Juliana is expecting a second child in August.

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND men fought hand-to-hand encounters in the mud and shell-craters of what remained of Wuning this morning.

Nothing remained of the one-time city of 60,000 people except a chaos of rubble.

Wuning has disappeared yesterday in the most intensive artillery bombardment the Asian continent has ever known.

Rain poured down in torrents as the Japanese launched repeated bayonet charges under a continuous barrage of shells.

The roar of a terrific thunderstorm was drowned in the roar of the Japanese cannon, which fired at almost point-blank range at the broken Chinese lines.

Pock-Marked Countryside

For an area of twelve square miles, the countryside is pock-marked with water-filled craters.

The ruins of the city have been churned into mud by shells and rain. The finale of the nine-day old battle presented a grotesque scene of nature's furies competing with the horror of man-made explosives.

As night closed in yesterday, four detachments of Japanese shock troops launched a general offensive on the heroically defended ruins of the walled city.

Repeated bayonet attacks were met with such withering machine-gun fire that the Japanese lines broke time after time.

But Japanese reinforcements arrived in constant procession from all directions.

80,000 In Charge

Eighty thousand Japanese troops participated in the last charge. (Continued on Page 4.)

LATEST

Explosions In London

LONDON, Mar. 29.—Two terrific explosions occurred at Hammersmith Bridge soon after 1 a.m. to-day. Police state evidence was found that explosions were result of time bombs. Nobody was hurt and the damage was comparatively small. Police are considering the possibility that the explosions were the work of I.R.A. sympathisers and were intended as a gesture following the sentences at the Old Bailey yesterday.—Reuter.

40,000 Prisoners

SALAMANCA, Mar. 29.—Nationalist communiques claim that over 40,000 prisoners have been captured on the Toledo front, in addition to several thousands on other fronts.—Reuter.

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Further Late News

Bombers Can Reach London

—GAYDA

ROME, Mar. 28.
THE ITALIAN writer Signor Geyda, on the occasion of the celebration of "Air Day" today, claimed that Italy has 400 bombing planes able to reach London, unload their bombs and return non-stop.—United Press.

FRENCH SHIP SEIZED

TANGHERS, Mar. 28.—An "unknown" warship is reported to have seized a French vessel near Cape San Antonio.—Reuter.

Australia Plans Indian Ocean Aerial Survey

CANBERRA, Mar. 28.

BECAUSE SINGAPORE may prove the Achilles heel in the existing air route between Australia and Great Britain, the Australian Government has decided to survey a new trans-oceanic route.

The Minister for Civil Aviation announced to-day that test flights would be carried out next June between Onslow, on the northern coast of Western Australia, and Mombasa, in Kenya Colony.

The route will be across the Indian Ocean via Coos Island, scene of the famous naval battle between H.M.A.S. Sydney and the German raider Emden.

A special long distance plane will be used for the flights. The crew will be under the command of Captain C. G. Taylor, co-pilot with the late Sir Charles Kingsford-Smith in the famous trans-Pacific flights in the "Southern Cross."

More French Sailors

British Navy To Abolish Flogging

PARIS, Mar. 28.
IT IS REPORTED that French naval effectiveness will be increased from 74,900 to 77,500, and recruiting for the extra men will begin immediately.

Another report states that M. Daladier will broadcast to the nation at 7.45 p.m. on March 29. He is expected to make some reference to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday last.

From London comes the report that the Admiralty has asked the Government to abolish flogging in the navy. Nowadays it is only retained in peace time for mutiny and other offences. Flogging is not inflicted in the army and air force.—Reuter, Special.

Japanese Raids In Hainan

HOLLAND, Mar. 29.
Japanese naval aircraft on Tuesday afternoon attacked Nantou, about 70 miles southwest of Hainan, and Ling-kow, about 7 miles northeast of Nantou, in the central part of Hainan Island.

Chinese troops and irregular forces concentrating in the interior districts were severely bombed. Naval pilots claim.—Domei.

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COMPANY'S GOOD START TO 1939

Optimistic Note Struck At Annual Meeting Of H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co.

A MARKED INCREASE in the turnover of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., during 1938, was commented on by the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, at the 55th ordinary yearly meeting held at the offices of Shewan, Tomes & Co. this morning.

Keen competition had been faced and it was difficult to say what the prospects were for the coming year. As regards the Kennedy Town house property of the Company, this had brought in full rent since June and if tenants remained in occupation this year's accounts would show a substantial benefit.

There were present: Hon. Mr. Shields (Chairman), Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. S. T. Williamson (Directors), Messrs. F. J. Tavares (Secretary), S. C. Lau, H. Dreyer, Kam Wah-kui, J. Dick, A. A. Botelho, K. P. Bailey and J. W. Shewan (Shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said: You will observe from the Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, which have been before you for the prescribed period, that after providing for Depreciation and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' Fees and Commission to General Managers, there remains a Net Profit of \$87,185.10 for the year under review. This amount, added to the balance of \$51,275.54 brought forward from 1937, makes a total at credit of Profit and Loss Account of \$138,460.70 available for appropriation, which your Board recommend be dealt with as follows:

Pay a dividend of 40 cents per share, amounting to \$ 80,000.00
Pay a bonus to staff of \$ 3,945.00
And carry forward to 1939 Account \$ 54,515.70

The turnover of rope last year shows a marked increase over that for 1937, and this is reflected in the accounts now laid before you, which I think may be considered satisfactory, in view of the keen competition with which we have had to contend throughout the year.

The profit on working account is \$45,507.04 better than the previous year and the income from rents collected is \$63,907.70 as compared with \$48,772.85 in 1937—an increase of \$15,134.85. This is due to the Kennedy Town houses having been fully occupied since the month of June, 1938, and provided the tenants remain in occupation, the full benefit of the additional rent obtained therefrom will be gained in the accounts for the current year.

The Factory Buildings at Ma-tau-kok continue in occupation, and we have recently concluded negotiations for an extension of the present lease for a further term of three years.

You will have noticed in the Profit and Loss Account a return to the authorised amount in Directors' Fees and an increase in Commission to General Managers which is still below that provided by the Company's Articles. In this connection I wish to remind you that in 1935, owing to then prevailing conditions, your Directors and General Managers voluntarily agreed to reduce their remunerations by 50 per cent and on

reference to subsequent accounts it would be seen that no change had since been made in respect thereto. These savings together with other economies which your Board effected, have contributed very largely to bringing the Company to its position today and in view of the increased earnings last year over those of 1937, your Board decided to charge the authorised amount in respect of Directors' Fees and with regard to the General Managers' Commission, this has been increased to three-fourths of the minimum authorised by the Articles of Association.

The staff have also co-operated and worked hard to attain the result now placed before you and I hope that you will approve the bonus recommended by your Board.

When I addressed you this time last year I mentioned that some of our machines would need replacing. You will see in the Balance Sheet that we have expended the sum of \$49,811.88 on additions to Plant and Machinery. The new machines are now being installed and will soon be in operation.

The usual provisions have been made for Depreciation on Buildings, etc., and on Plant & Machinery your Board decided to provide an additional \$30,000.00 depreciation. The Stocks and Stores have been valued at cost or under.

GOOD START TO NEW YEAR

Now as regards the prospects for the current year, conditions out here in the East as well as those in Europe do not permit me to say more than that we have made a good start in spite of the strong competition and I hope that we shall continue to hold our own during the present year.

I do not think that there are any other items in the accounts that need special comment, and I will therefore propose that the Report and Accounts be adopted and passed, and that the amount of \$138,460.70 at credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as above.

Mr. J. P. Braga seconded and the Motion was approved.

It was proposed by Mr. S. C. Lau and seconded by Mr. W. Dreyer that Mr. Braga and Mr. Williamson, be re-elected to the Board of Directors, the meeting approving.

It was proposed by Mr. Kam Wah-kui and seconded by Mr. J. Dick that Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming and Messrs. Lindsay and Davis be re-appointed Auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$500 each. The motion was approved.

Hockey Interport Honoured

Sir H. Phillips To See Hongkong Play

SHANGHAI, Mar. 29. SIR Herbert Phillips, British Consul-General in Shanghai, has accepted the invitation of the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey Association to attend the forthcoming Interport match against Hongkong on April 8, and to present the trophy to the winning team.

Shanghai has selected a good team to meet the visitors.

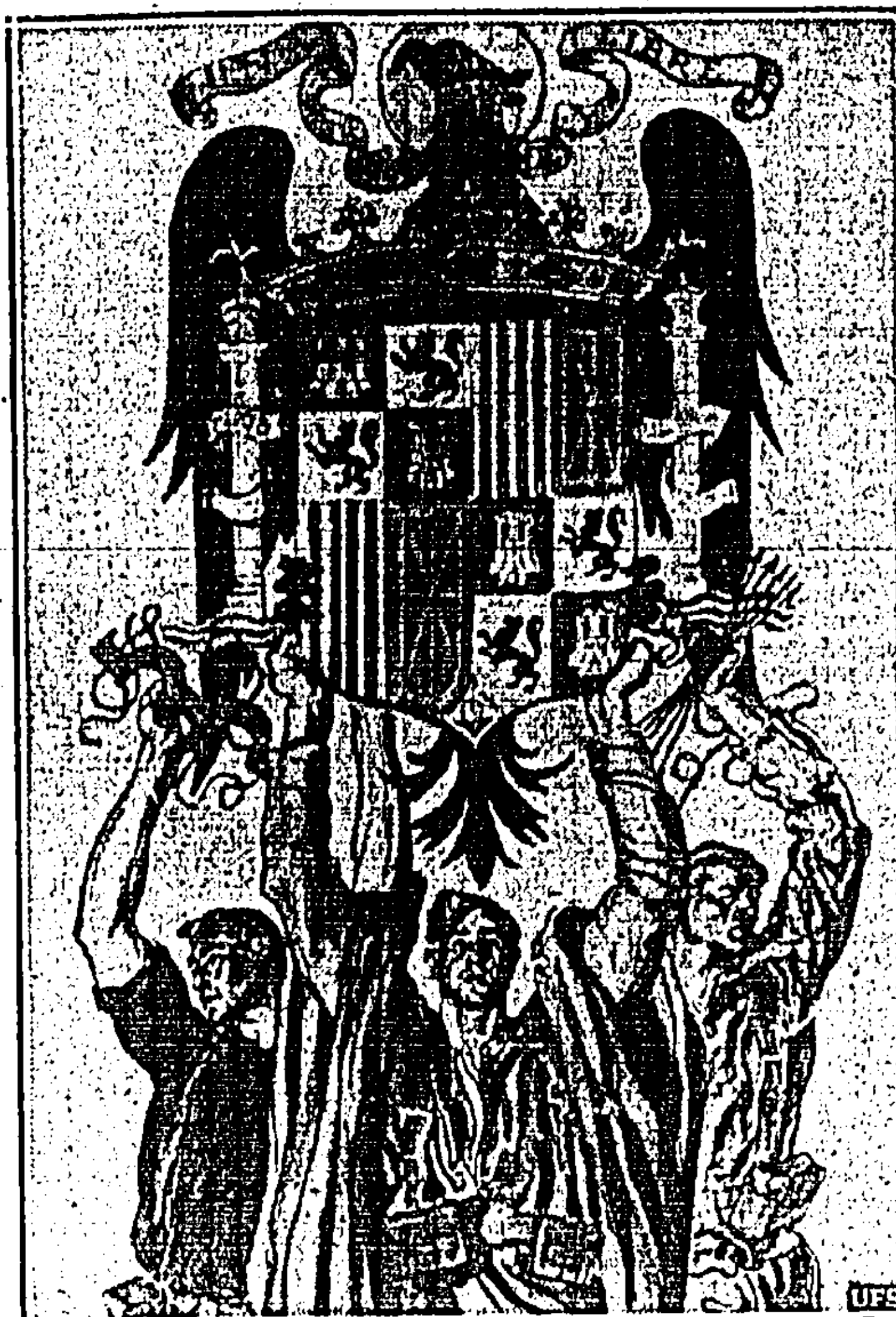
The nucleus of the forward line has been drawn from the Greens, the local champions.

The Rest of Shanghai will play Hongkong on April 9, and the Greens meet the Colony side on April 10. Several film and tea parties have been arranged in honour of the Hongkong team, but the main event will be the Interport dance at the Shanghai Race Club on April 11.—Reuter.

World Wheat Production

CANBERRA, Mar. 29. The world production of wheat this year is estimated at 1,100,000,000 bushels. This is about double the quantity required for consumption.

J. Watson of 148 Boundary Street, had his car No. 1956 stolen from the car park opposite the Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. The car is valued at \$2,000.



This is the coat of arms of Insurgent Spain, which will become the official coat of arms for all Spain, when General Francisco Franco is declared completely victorious. Figures are the three types of men fighting for Franco—Legionnaire, Phalangist and Navarrese.

Threw Chair Into Plate Glass At Cafeteria

Kai Tak's 3,650,000 Letters

DURING the last six months 3,650,000 letters have been handled through the Kai Tak Airport, a figure which represents in weight, 65 tons of mail.

Of this, 43 tons or a million and a quarter letters, were despatched to or from England. The remainder is made up by participant countries—in the—Empire—mail scheme.

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SOLDIER IS FINED \$25

Charged with causing malicious damage by breaking two pieces of plate glass at the Stanley Cafeteria yesterday, Private Patrick Woods, R.A., Stanley Forts, was fined \$25 or one month hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning. He was also ordered to pay \$35 compensation.

Defendant admitted the charge. Sergeant H. D. Patten said Woods went up to the Cafeteria about 4 p.m. yesterday, picked up a chair which was lying outside the cafe, and threw it against the plate glass. He had no cause to do this, and just walked slowly away after the incident. He was followed and arrested by an Indian constable.

Asked if he had anything to say, Woods said he had been insulted by some Chinese, but he did not understand what was said.

An officer of the R.A. was present in Court, and said Woods' conduct and character could be described as fair.

Royal Wedding In Teheran

London, Mar. 28. The Earl of Athlone, who is representing the King at the civil ceremony in connection with the marriage of the Crown Prince of Iran and Princess Fawzia, sister of King Farouk, is leaving London with Princess Alice on April 1 for Teheran, which they will reach on April 19.—Reuter.

While travelling in a bus between the Peninsula Hotel and the Star Ferry yesterday, M. Dennison, of 9 Hankow Road, lost or had stolen from him two watches which were valued at \$35.



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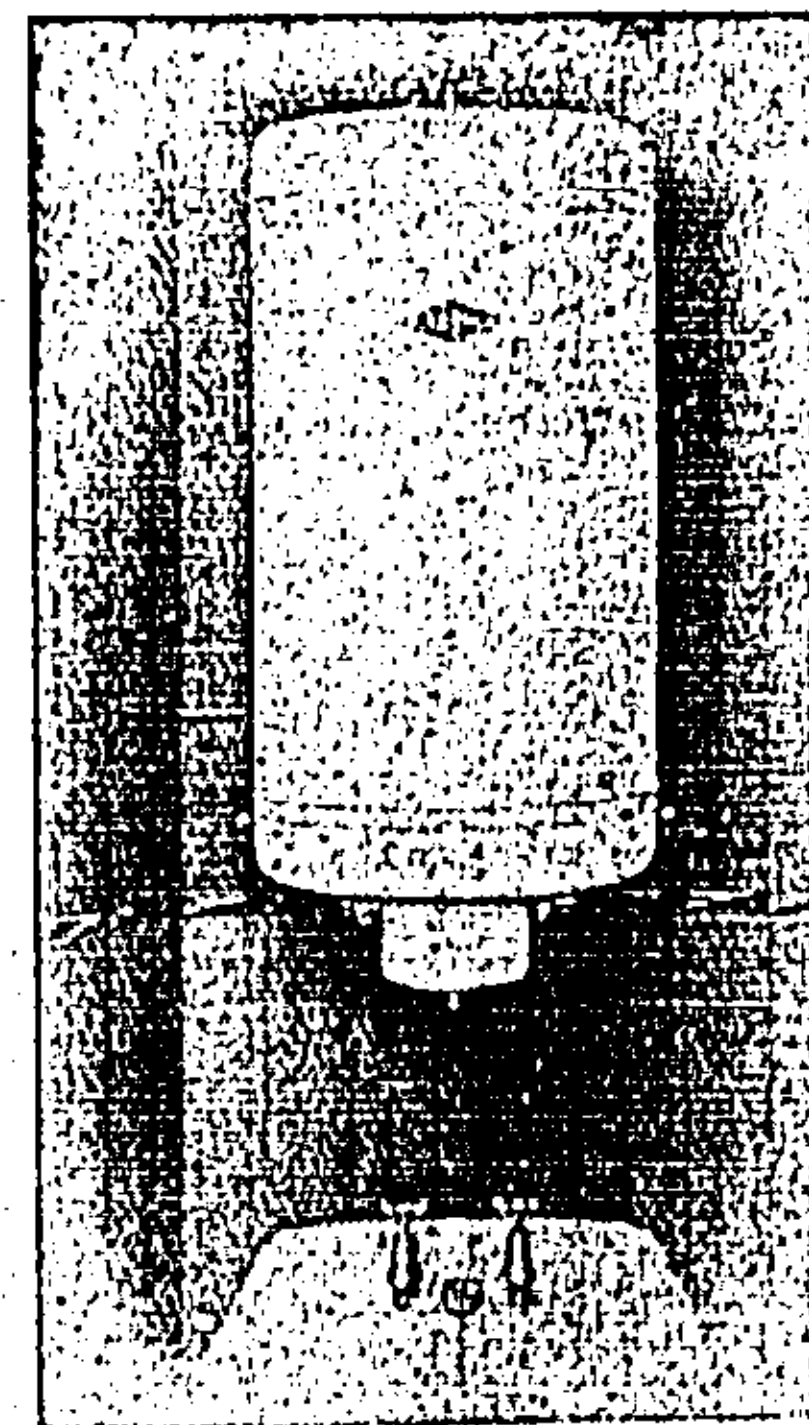


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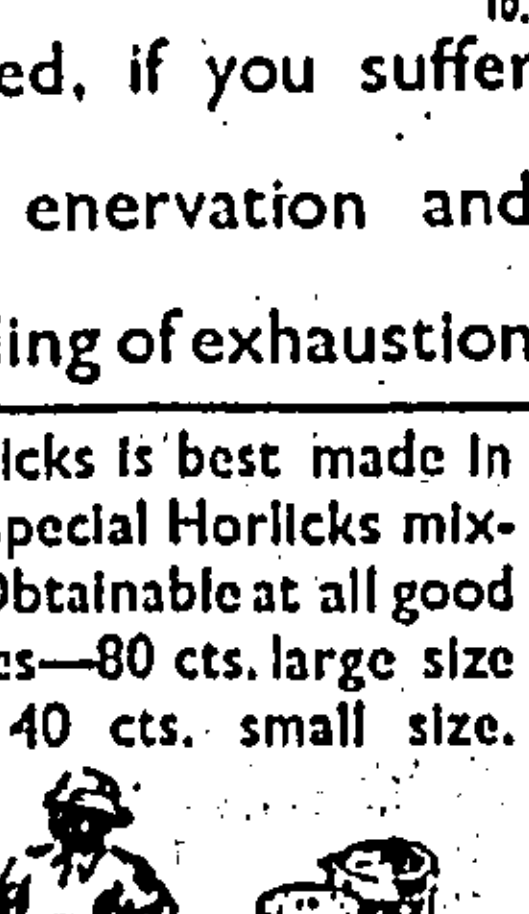
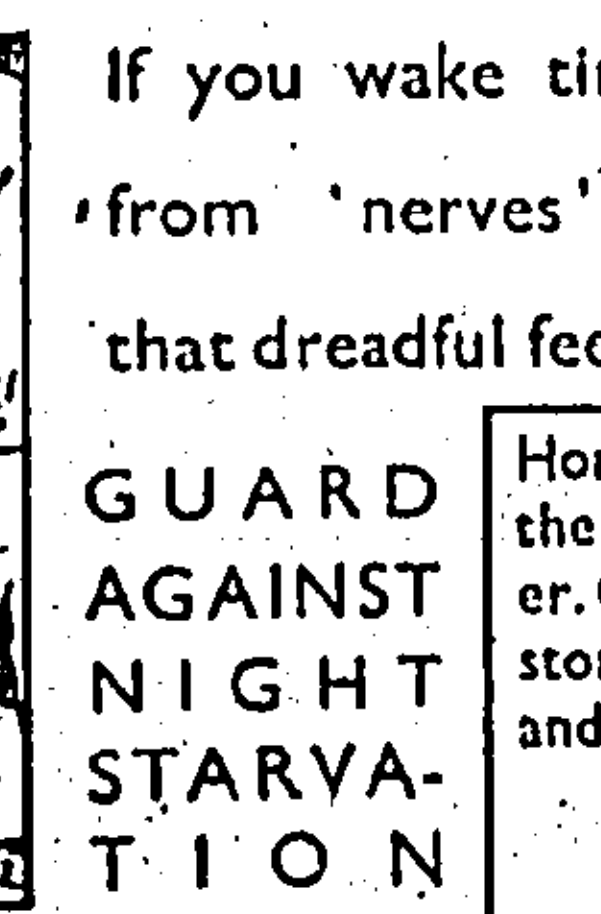
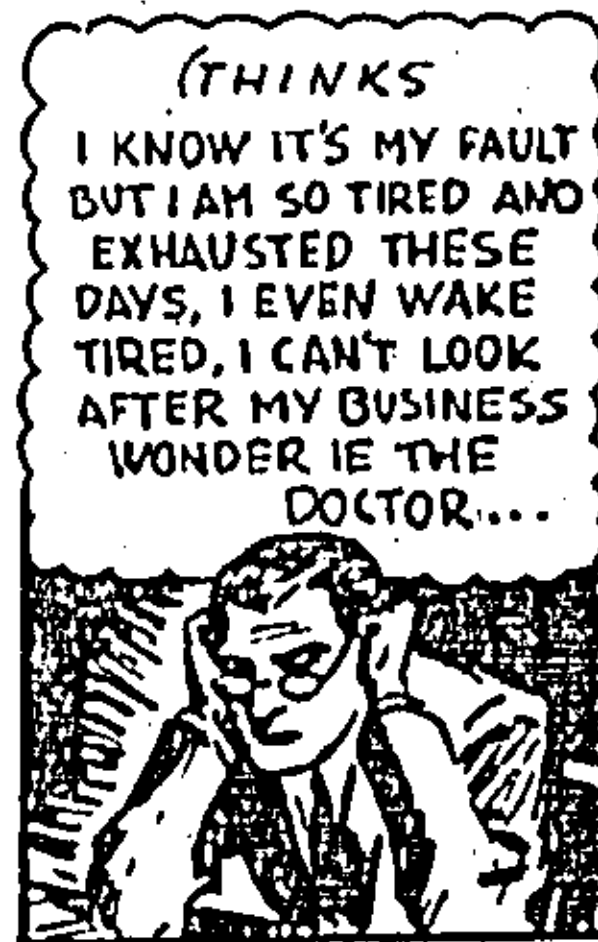
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A limited competitive examination for vacancies for 3rd grade Local Clerks will be held on 11th April, at 9.30 a.m. Candidates must be between the ages of 19-30. Examination will embrace English Essay and Dictation, Arithmetic and Typewriting.

Application for selection to compete must be made in the candidate's own handwriting and should reach the Naval Store Officer, H. M. Dockyard not later than a.m. 1st April.

Two passport photographs of the candidate must be sent with the application.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C., The Old City Hall, Queen's Road C, Hongkong, or the Inspector, 40, Polkum Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre, Wanchai; or the Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

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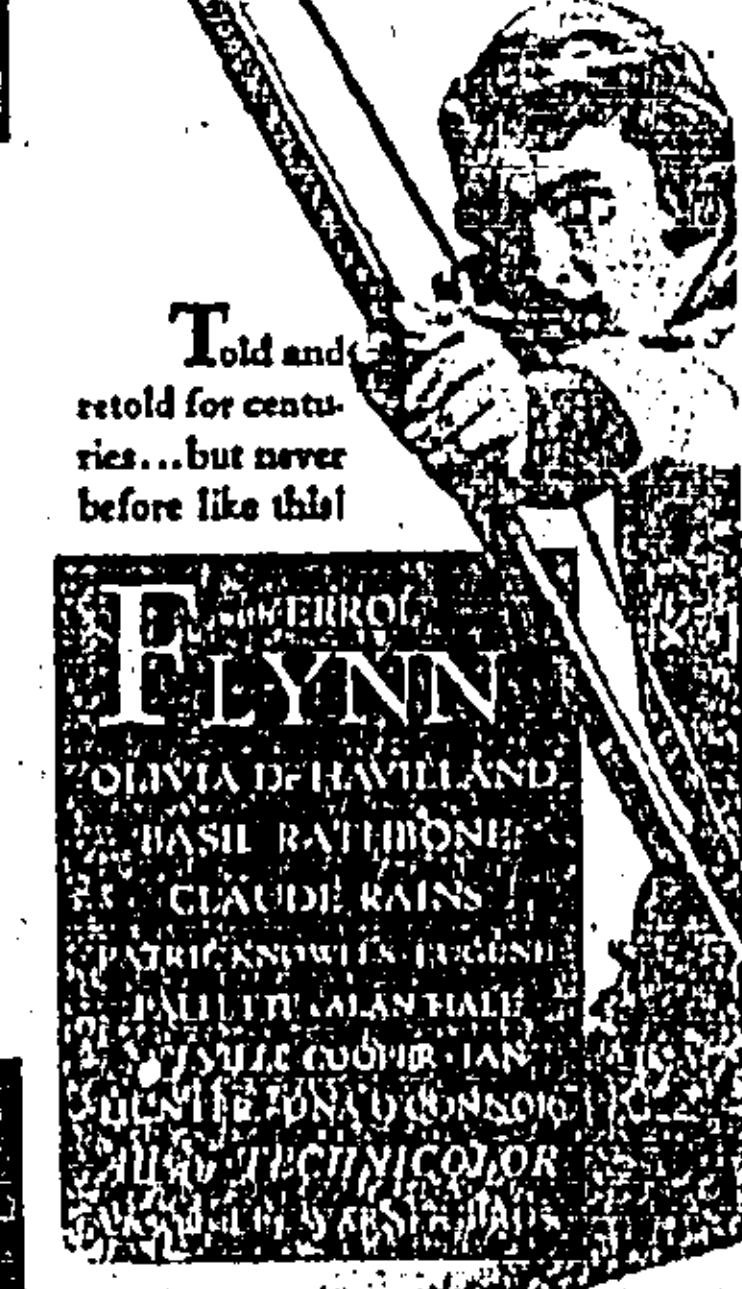
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German Propagandists Busy Against Poland

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threatened by the Poles. But D.N.B. refuses to specify where or when the alleged incidents are taking place.

It is noteworthy that this has been the form of preparation employed by Germany preceding the Austrian, Sudetenland, Czechoslovakian and Memel coups.

The official organ, "Politik Korrespondenz," warns that "anti-German acts" by Poland might result in consequences "deplorable to the future harmonious development of a European area and as harmful to the Polish nation itself."

This utterance is considered as being particularly significant because of the source of the warning—United Press.

Text Of German Propaganda

This is the German message, as reported in Hongkong by "Trans-Ocean."

"The increasing number of anti-German demonstrations in Poland during the past days, and the attitude of the Polish authorities towards them, have led German political circles to inquire whether these demonstrations indicate Poland's intention to discontinue the policy laid down in the agreement of 1934, which was signed by Marshal Pilsudski and Herr Hitler."

"Although the German press still refrains from giving publicity to the incidents, the 'Diplomatische Politische Korrespondenz' this evening declared:

"For some time past incidents have been occurring in different parts of Poland which clearly indicate that certain groups reject the policy agreed upon in 1934 by Marshal Pilsudski and the German Chancellor."

"Although the German press has made little of these incidents, no one should assume that they have been overlooked, or that threats and insults to everything that is German, do not interest German circles."

GERMAN "RESERVE"

"German reserve is inspired by the hope that such excesses are merely the expression of a temporary wave of Chauvinism which will soon be replaced by common sense and an understanding for a realistic policy, and a remembrance of the old course set by Marshal Pilsudski."

"German expectations have, unfortunately, thus far remained unfulfilled. In fact, it appears as though, to the joy of those who are interested in bringing about a rupture in German-Polish relations, no hindrance is being placed in the course of this agitation against all that is German, and this applies also to the maintenance of good relations with the German people."

NEIGHBOURLY RELATIONS

"In studying the history of German-Polish relations, one discovers that even at the beginning of the Great War, the tendency to look at the Polish question in a different way was apparent in Germany. The creation of a Polish State reveals clearly a fundamental change from the former attitude that a national struggle was unavoidable."

"Disregarding the burdens placed on German-Polish relations by the provisions of the Versailles Treaty, the Fuehrer worked to impress upon the German people the importance of regarding an independent and strong Polish nation as necessary to stability and order in Eastern Europe, and that it was therefore desirable and essential to maintain friendly relations with this State."

"The German-Polish agreement of 1934 constituted the realization of this ideal. Should Polish circles come to the conclusion that a corresponding attitude towards Germany is not necessary in the same degree, or in other words, that respect for the vital rights and honour of the German people is not essential, this would be regrettable for the future harmonious development of Europe, and for the Polish nation itself."

INSULTING, PERSECUTING

"It is a case of not seeing beyond one's nose. If certain Polish cities believe that insulting and persecuting Germans is entirely in order, because the fundamental condition for friendly relations between nations is mutual respect."

"Responsible quarters in Poland will certainly not overlook the geographical situation of their State, this having been responsible for its past policy of endeavouring to maintain friendly relations on all sides."

OTHER COMMENT

"To the surprise of German political circles, which have maintained a rigid silence on the subject, the 'Essener National Zeitung,' which is connected with Friedrich Hermann Goering, to-day published an article declaring that anti-German demonstrations are putting the German-Polish pact of friendship to an ignominious test."

"The paper recalls Sunday's demonstrations in Bromberg, in the course of which crowds shouted 'We Want Koenigsberg,' and 'Our army must march into Danzig!'"

"The paper goes on to say that the German-speaking inhabitants of Western Poland are asking themselves with increasing uneasiness, how far the systematic incitement of the Polish population by the newspapers of the National Democratic Party and by the West Polish Association, is to be carried."

"THREATENED IN STREETS
German people, including women and children, says the paper, are being

ing threatened in the streets because they speak their mother tongue. The paper observes that the Polish authorities put forward the hypothesis that this incitement was partly the work of agents of foreign Powers, which are interested in stirring up ill-feeling between Poland and Germany."

"However, says the paper, since the increase in anti-German excesses appear to be systematic, it is no longer permissible for the Polish authorities to ignore them, since such excesses, if not suppressed, must, in the long run, put an intolerable strain on the friendly relations between the two countries."

"The paper concludes by stressing the duty of the Polish authorities to protect Germans living in Poland against molestation, and to ensure safety of their property."

BRITAIN CRITICISED

"The adherence of Poland to the anti-German bloc which England is endeavouring to form, would be incompatible with German-Polish understanding, declares the 'Hamburger Fremdenblatt' this evening."

"The Londoner, entitled 'Point of View,' reveals that Poland has become a problem for German political circles."

"Attention is called in the article to the forthcoming visit of Colonel Beck to London, and the lively interest the British press is showing in Poland."

"The paper goes on to observe that when Poland, along with Germany and Hungary, liberated its minority in Czechoslovakia, it was condemned by the Western Democracies, but now that the Greater German Reich has assumed leadership in Central Europe, to which it is entitled, London has suddenly come to the realization that Polish policy could, under certain conditions, be hatched to the swaying vehicle bearing the British Empire."

BRITISH DIPLOMACY

"In the scheme to erect a barrier against the German nation, the British Foreign Office is giving prime consideration to Poland, rather than to the Soviet-Union or to France."

"This explains, says the paper, the intense interest of the British press, and the great care with which it publishes all reports and rumours from the anti-German camp. It is an attempt to encourage those elements which, since the beginning of Marshal Pilsudski's policy, of German-Polish understanding, have played second fiddle in Polish Foreign policy."

"Admitting that, in spite of pressure from the Polish Government, have maintained a strictly correct attitude towards Germany, the paper declares that this is due to the plain fact that the existence of German-Polish understanding could not be brought into harmony with the anti-German plans of Sir Robert Vansittart."

SLOVAKS TAKE PRECAUTIONS

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 28. SLOVAKIA is preparing for both peace and war.

While the Foreign Ministry directs peace negotiations by sending a Slovak delegation to Budapest in an effort to obtain peaceful withdrawal of Hungarian troops from the part of East Slovakia occupied on March 23, the National Defence Ministry has begun the task of assigning five classes of reserve officers and military aviation and anti-aircraft forces to positions they must fill should peace negotiations in Budapest break down.

New Lithuanian Government

KAUNAS, Mar. 28. A NEW LITHUANIAN Government has been formed under General Cernius.

Generally speaking, the new Government is semi-military, as there are three other Generals in the cabinet, and it is a non-party Government.

The new Cabinet will present itself to Parliament this evening, —Reuter.

Germany's "Tradition"

"It is unnecessary to accuse Germany of perfidy."

"Not only the Nazi Government, but all previous German Governments, from the time Frederick the Great downwards, have made their position clear. It is not an international insurance is no more than a statement of present intention. It has no absolute validity for the future."

Thus Lord Cecil, President of the International Peace Campaign, wrote to the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" even as early as September 26, nine days before the Munich agreement.

Continuing, Lord Cecil said that "the actions of the present German administration on several occasions show that they accept the traditional German view on such matters."

Lord Cecil forewarned: "Submission, therefore, to Herr Hitler means the extinction of Czechoslovak independence."

"It means the breach of our treaty pledges on the subject."

"It means a great increase in the prestige of the Nazi Government, and a corresponding diminution of that of this country."

"Above all, it means acceptance of the view that the only thing that counts in international affairs is brutal force, and that the hope of substituting for it reason and justice must be definitely abandoned."

Bruce To Return To London

Melbourne, Mar. 28. Mr. Joseph A. Lyons to-day announced that the Government had

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STOCKS: March automobile sales are the highest since August, 1937, but the gain is below seasonal.

Corn Products' first-quarter earnings are not expected to equal those of the corresponding period of 1938, although back-log orders are growing.

The Continental Can Corporation's 1938 sales are above those of 1937.

Gasoline prices have been advanced for the third time in a month.

EARNINGS: Stock Period 1938 1937
Pacific Gas & Electric Yr. 31/12 \$2.47 \$2.71
Continental Oil Yr. 31/12 \$1.10 \$2.08

The North American Company's earnings for the 12 months ended March 31, are estimated at \$1.00 per share.

SUGAR: The Administration will oppose the Bill for increasing the domestic sugar producers' quota.

WHEAT: The Argentine is sending 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool to Germany in exchange for rail equipment.

LONDON AVERAGES: MARCH 27 MARCH 28
Industrial Average 98.0 99.8
Rails Average 55.7 54.9

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.

CIVIL WAR COLLAPSES AS OFFICIALS FLEE

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organisation entered the city, and chocolate, tinned food and fruit were distributed among the welcoming populace.

The Nationalists had earlier occupied a section of University City held by the Republicans.

A Berlin report says that Herr Hitler has telegraphed to General Franco offering him his heartiest congratulations on "the final defeat of nation-destroying Bolshevism."

Meanwhile in Rome, Signor Mussolini appeared on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia and addressed a crowd of 10,000, saying:

"General Franco's infantry and the Italian legionaries have entered Madrid, and the Spanish war can be considered finished. It is finished with the collapse of Bolshevism, and so will the enemies of Italy and of Fascism." —Reuter.

U.S. AND SPAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28. The belief is being expressed here that the surrender of Madrid will possibly hasten United States recognition of General Franco's government.

No immediate action in this connection is expected. —United Press.

ACCORDING TO PLAN

Madrid, Mar. 28. Nationalist columns started to make their entry into Madrid from the University quarter at 1.10 p.m. to-day.

Everything, it is said, is being carried out with precision and according to plan.

Early this afternoon, a provisional administrative committee was formed by Falangists, who had remained

concealed in the city from the outbreak of the hostilities.

While Nationalist army engineers are feverishly engaged in building bridges across the city, the Manzanares, the population to-day set to work removing barbed-wire entanglements and barricades in order to speed up the entry of General Franco's troops.

While the Nationalists are marching into Madrid, the offensive is being continued on the other fronts. In the Cordoba sector, a Nationalist column met no resistance in occupying the city.

General Franco's troops were given a spontaneous welcome in Madrid, while Nationalist aeroplanes performed acrobatics.

The centre of the city shows no signs of having been affected by the Nationalist bombardments, but the outside fortifications present a terrible spectacle, entire blocks of houses having disappeared.

The greatest damage was caused in the Arguete quarter, where scarcely a house remains inhabitable.

200,000 MARCH IN

An army of 200,000 Nationalists marched into Madrid this afternoon, declared Senor Serrano Suner, Minister of the Interior in a broadcast from Burgos.

Madrid, he continued, was to have been the grave of Fascism, but instead it had become the grave of Communism. "Victory has been achieved, despite those nations who speak hypocritically of peace, but the harbour thoughts of war in their hearts."

Spain desires to live in peace, he declared, but is determined to defend her liberties at all cost. "The world must realise the importance of Spain in the international scheme." —Trans-Ocean.

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T.T. France	10.87
T.T. Germany	71 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	127 1/2
T.T. Australia	176 1/2

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4 m/s France	11.27
30 d/s India	83 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in Lon.	4.08 1/2

CIVIL SERVANTS FALL OUT

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before he signs a letter?

Lai: Generally, Europeans have passports. They questioned Lai on the question of the necessity of chopping registered letters with a chop registered in the Post Office.

Mr. Russ: I put it to you there is no such rule. There is no such register of chops.

"Ask The P.M.C."

Lai: There is. You can ask the Postmaster General.

The case was then adjourned to May 6, noon, as Lai wanted to call a witness.

He decided that Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner to London should return to London immediately. He is sailing from Sydney on Friday.

The presence of Mr. Bruce in London during the present political tension is deemed to be desirable. —Reuter.

Great Kiangsi Battle

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which virtually overwhelmed the Chinese.

CASTLE CAPTURED

At 3 a.m. the Japanese reached their first major objective—the ruins of Wuning's Castle.

The Chinese, their lines completely broken and scattered, fought individually with a savagery which brought reluctant admiration even in Japanese official communications.

Before quietness reigned in the ruins of Wuning, Japanese squads had been forced to attack individual machine-gun posts with hand grenades and mortars.

The Chinese fired their guns to the last man. There were no prisoners.

200-Mile Front

Violent hostilities are raging in Kiangsi on a 200-mile front that now extends to Honan Province.

Superior Japanese artillery and aerial units are overwhelming the Chinese, who are battling against superhuman odds.

The defenders, however, are grimly contesting every inch of ground, and are seeking to exact a heavy price from the invaders.

Chinese resistance has been effective in the Siu River valley, where the Chinese have gained several heights in the vicinity of Anyi.

The Chinese reports claim that Japanese successes in the Wuning area have been made possible by the liberal use of poison gas.

The Chinese reports admit that the Japanese are pouring tens of thousands of reinforcements along the entire front in an effort to bring about an entire collapse of the Chinese resistance.

Eleven Divisions Defend

Eleven Chinese divisions were unavailingly thrown into the defence of Wuning, which, next to Nanchang, is the most strategic point in Kiangsi.

It is seventy miles north of Nanchang. Japanese artillery and planes carried out an unprecedented bombardment on a thirty mile front.

During the siege of Wuning Chinese machine-gun nests were only 300 yards from the Japanese.

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6.00 An hour of New Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—The Merry-Go-Round—Fox-Trot; Oh Will You Wash My Father's Shirt—Comedy Quickstep—Sid Millward and His Nitwits; Dance Orchestra—Tango Marina—Tango; When A Gipsy Played—Tango; Emil Roetz and His Orchestra; "Au Revoir" (Feynecy); "Goodbye Darling" (Feynecy); Zarah Leander acc. by Eugen Wolff's Orchestra (Sung in German); Cinema Organ—"Happy Days"—Selections—Quentin M. Maclean; Military Band—Milanollo (The Coldstream March—Houn, arr. Mackenzie); Royal Air Force March Past (D'Almeida, arr. Amers); "The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. J. Causley Windram; Dance Orchestra—Good-Night Little Sleep—Fox-Trot; I've Got a Doorknob (Of Dreams)—Fox-Trot; Brian Lawrence and His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus by Brian Lawrence; Dance Orchestra—Any Broken Hearts To Mend—Fox-Trot; The Organ, The Dance Band and Me (Plano); Entertainers—Virginia and Her Momma (Overy); Heard by Ivy St. Helen; Ivy St. Helen at the Piano; Vocal—Sombreros and Mantillas (Valsade and Chanty); J'attendrai... Rhina Kelly (In French) with Orchestra; Orchestra—The Bassoon (Ashlyn); Ya Got Something There (Hart and Hyllon); Jack Hyllon and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 List—Ballade In B Minor. Piano Solo by Louis Kentner.

7.20 List—"Mefisto" Waltz No. 1. Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

7.23 Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Joseph Schmidt (Tenor).

"Il Trovatore"—Lodern Sum Himmell (Verdi).... Joseph Schmidt (Tenor); with Chorus and Orchestra. (Sung in German); "Martha"—Ach, So Fromm, Ach, So Traut (Flotow).... Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) and the Berlin State Opera Orchestra, cond. by Clemens Schmalstieg. (Sung in German); "The Barber of Seville"—Una Voce Poco Fa (Rossini).... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra; Variations on Mozart's "Ah! Vous Dirai-Je Maman" (Adam).... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Berlin Broadcasting Orchestra (Sung in German); La Danza (Rossini); L'Ariete (Nepollitan Song—Biscardi).... Joseph Schmidt (Tenor) with Orchestra. (Sung in Italian); Invitation to the Dance (Weber).... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with the Berlin State Opera Orchestra. (Sung in German).

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Erlo Coates Compositions. The Jester At The Wedding.... Erlo Coates and Symphony Orchestra; A Song Remembered, Music Of The Night.... John McCormack (Tenor) with Piano accom. by Edwin Schneider; Saxo-Rhapsody.... Sigurd Rascher (Saxophone) with Symphony Orchestra cond. by the Composer; Valse. From "Wood Nymphs".... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by the Composer; Bird Song At Evening.... Robinson Cleaver (Organ) and Patricia Rossborough (Piano).

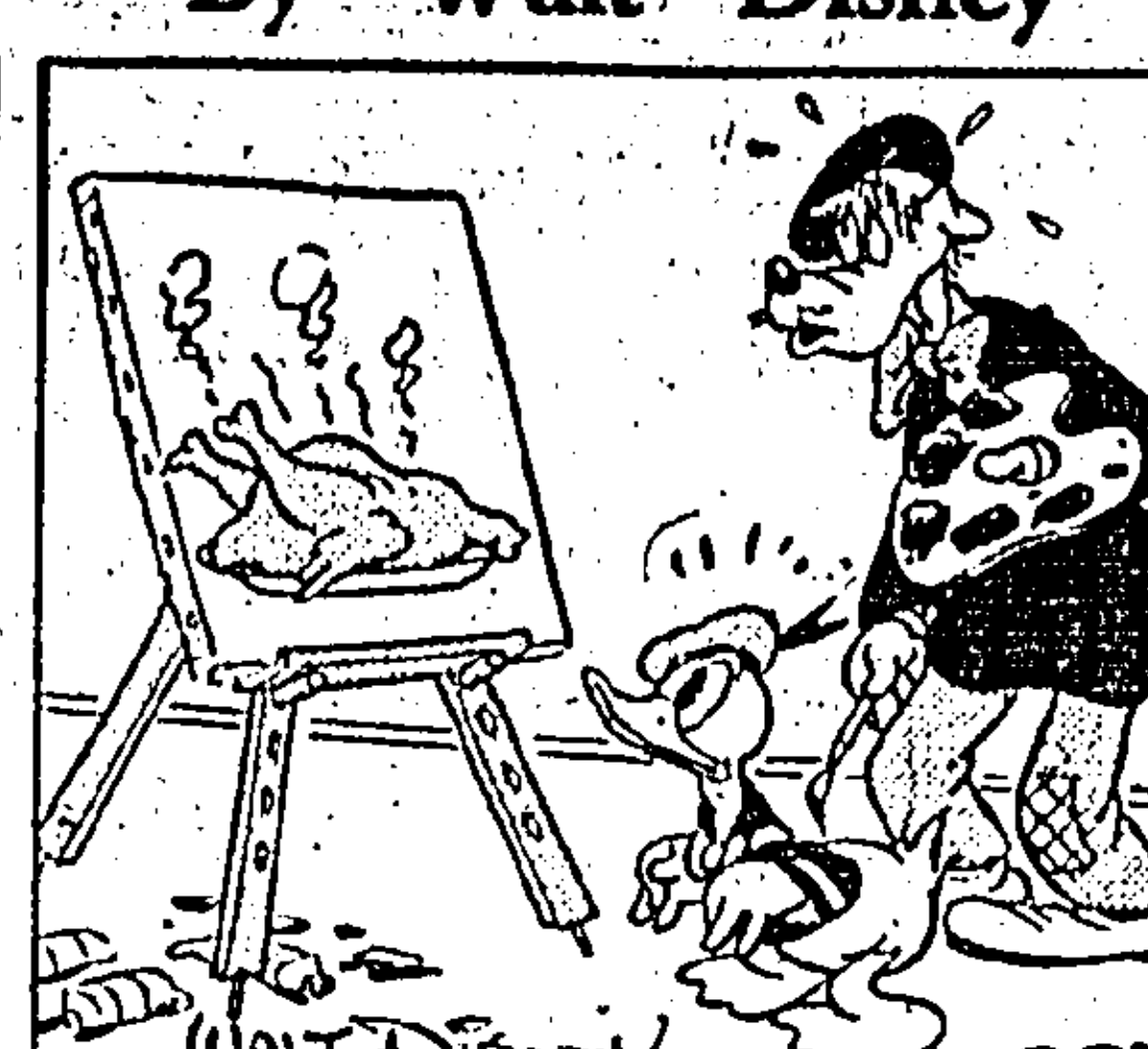
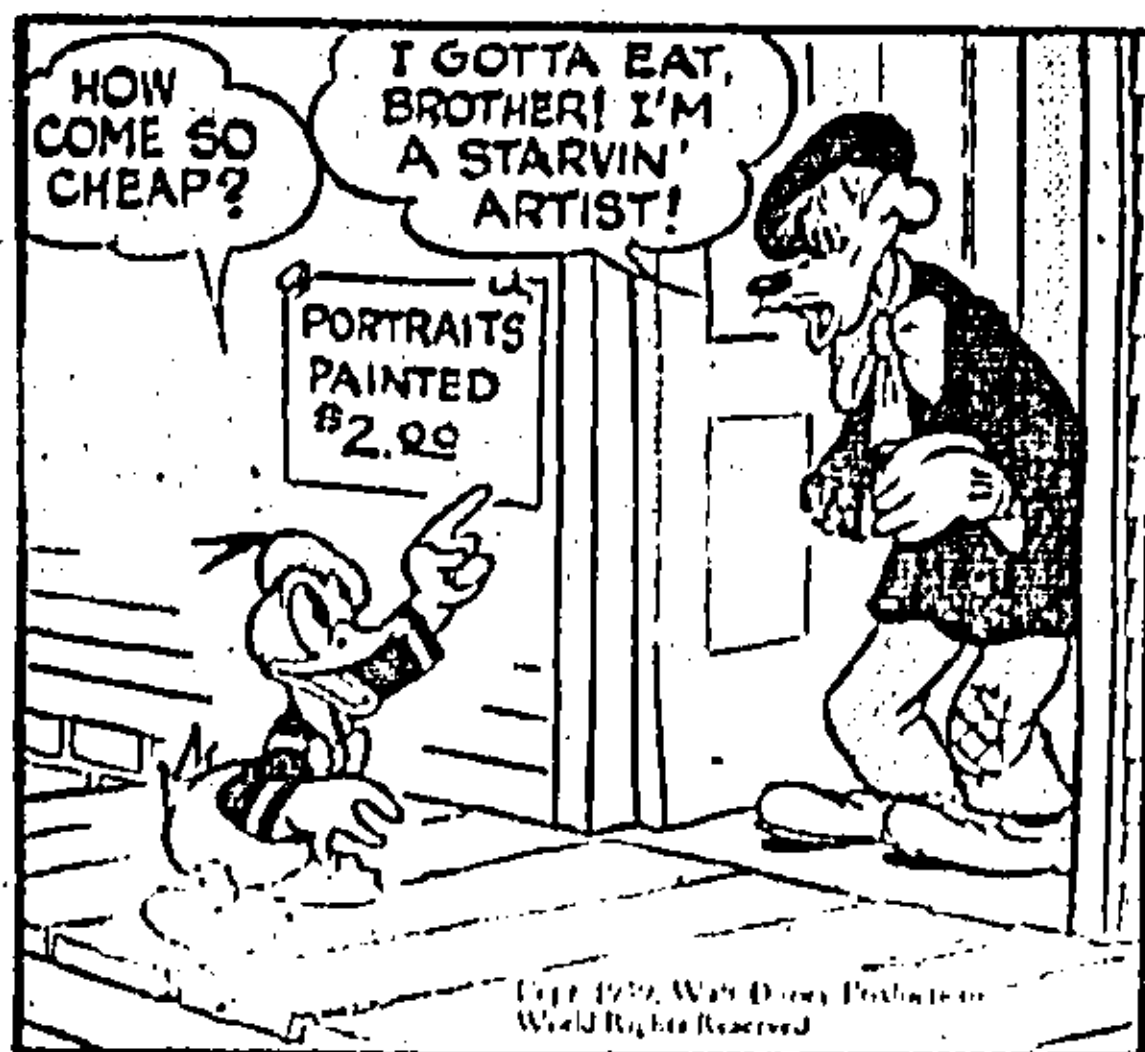
8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog".

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9.00 London Relay—Empire Exchange.

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

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Secret Short-Wave Radio Station Found In New Territories Raid

A SECRET SHORT-WAVE transmitting station for which the radio authorities have been searching for some time was discovered as the result of a raid this week on premises at Taiipo in the New Territories.

The station was operated by Chinese, who used it to communicate with other stations outside Hongkong territory.

There was a sequel to the raid this morning when four Chinese appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy, charged with having maintained, worked and used a radio station in contravention of the Telecommunications Ordinance of 1936.

Two of the defendants, who were servants at the premises, were discharged by the Magistrate.

The remaining two, Poon Fook-sun, a wireless operator, and Chiu Yau-sau, an accountant, have been remanded for a week.

They have been released on bail of \$1,500 each.

BARTER AGREEMENT

Germany and Argentina To Exchange Goods

Buenos Aires, Mar. 28. Argentina and Germany have signed a barter pact whereby Argentina will export 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool to Germany for six months. In return Germany will provide railway materials including 60 locomotives, sleeping cars and freight cars.—United Press.

CIVIL SERVANTS FALL OUT

TWO GOVERNMENT SERVANTS, one a postman and the other a sanitary inspector, were the complainant and the defendant respectively in an assault summons heard by Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The postman was Li King-fat, letter unless she chopped it with a chop registered in the Post Office. He accused Sanitary Inspector Tang Ho-yun of punching him in the nose on the stairway of a house in Taiipo Road on March 20. Trouble was said to have arisen over a registered letter.

Represented by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, Tang denied the accusation.

Lai said that on the evening of March 20 he was outside a house in Taiipo Road when the defendant stopped him and struck him a blow on the nose. The defendant had said "do you intend to give," and Lai inferred that the defendant was referring to a registered letter.

Cross-examined by Mr. Russ, Lai said that earlier in the day he had called at the defendant's house to deliver a registered letter. The defendant's wife had opened the door and he had refused to give her the

Lai: Most of the people use chops. "Inspector Of Refuse"

Lai then denied that he had said: "I do not like to deliver a letter to an Inspector of Refuse. It is entirely at my discretion."

He did not tell the defendant that he was ready to fight, nor did he drop his mail bag and roll up his sleeves.

Further questioned Lai said: "A European can sign a letter because a European has passports, but not Chinese." Mr. Russ: Do you mean that a European has to produce his passport (Continued on Page 4.)

This is the highest number of death sentences in one trial since fifteen pirates were tried, sentenced and hanged in 1927 for participation in the Sunning and Koro pirates.

Immediately after his discharge by the Chief Justice this afternoon, Leung Chau was re-arrested on a charge of armed robbery.

He will be tried during the April Criminal Session.

The four convicted men will be taken to Stanley Prison to await execution or the Executive Council's final decision on their case.

CHIEF JUSTICE DONS BLACK CAP

FOUR MEN WILL HANG FOR KILLING

Four of the five accused in the "False Teeth Murder Case" were sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning, after the Jury had deliberated for two hours.

The condemned men were Lam Kam-chuen (47), Fung Chak (21), Li Shek-man (31) and Leung Tai (43).

The man who was found Not Guilty was Leung Hung (20), the first accused in the case.

The charge against them was for the murder of Leung Hung, 60, co-partner of the Woo Fung money-changer's and merchant's shop in Wuhu Street, Hunghom, in the course of a robbery with other persons not in custody in the early hours of February. The murdered man was gagged with an orange, which displaced his false teeth and choked him to death.

Went To Police

The Crown's case was that Leung Chau, the man who was found Not Guilty, admitted Leung Fung, an employee who was not arrested, to the shop, ostensibly to sleep but in reality to admit the gang.

After reading that one of the victims had died, Lau Chau, a member of the gang, went to the Police the following day and gave information which led to the arrest of the prisoners.

The defence in respect of Leung Chau was a denial that he admitted the robbers. The case for the other prisoners was that while admittedly they went there to rob they had no intention of committing murder.

Mr. J. Whynett, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, with the assistance of Detective-Inspector A. E. Carey. Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, was for Leung Chau, while the other four men found guilty were defended by Mr. H. Y. Woo on the instructions of Mr. P. Y. Woo.

Unusual Aspects

"The case is not only serious but unusual, in that although there are five prisoners in the dock," said the Chief Justice, "summing up," "the Crown does not suggest that the men who actually caused the death of Leung Hung are among the prisoners."

"What the Crown says is that each of the prisoners is equally guilty because they were all members of a conspiracy, the clear object of which was to commit a robbery with violence."

"You, gentlemen of the Jury, must consider the case of each prisoner separately, and before you could convict any one of them you must be satisfied that he was a member of the gang, that he went with his fellow-robbers to the premises and that violence was used for the purpose of carrying out the crime."

The evidence had established beyond doubt that there had been a robbery, that the victims were bound and gagged and that the robbers took with them oranges, wire and tape for the purpose. Further, it had been established that the old man met his death as a result of their actions.

Connivance Of Foki

The evidence as to the preliminary conversation between the members of the gang and their actions before the robbery did not concern the first prisoner at all, the reason being that he was already in the premises.

The case against him in brief was that it was only with his connivance that the robbers were able to gain admittance.

There was no evidence that he took part in the robbery, for he himself was gagged and bound, but if the Jury were satisfied that he opened the door for his fellow robbers, then he was equally guilty, irrespective of the fact that he was tied up and that he made an outcry about his own loss.

"This might well have been an elementary attitude on his part in order to divert suspicion."

His Lordship then reviewed the evidence, after which he said that a point in favour of the first accused was, that there had never been any suggestion that he had been allotted a share of the loot when the robbers divided the spoils after the robbery. In fact, the evidence showed that the

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: Who is the tennis player and amateur gardener who has just been installed as a Sultan?

ANSWER: Sir Abdul Aziz, the new Sultan of Perak, richest of the Federated Malay States.

Q: What happened at the installation?

A: The new Sultan was enthroned and underwent a ceremonial purification. Unlike other Malay rulers, Sultans of Perak do not wear a crown.

Q: What are the new Sultan's interests in life?

A: He is one of the recognised experts on rice cultivation and knows as much about the subject as his British advisers. His hobbies are tennis, golf and gardening. He has played in, and won, many tennis tournaments in Malaya against all comers.

JAPANESE IN COURT

Two Men Fined In Passports Case

Tendering the excuse that they thought a passport for Hongkong was not necessary since they were going to stay in the Colony for a short period, two Japanese from Canton were charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning with entering the Colony without passports.

Described as a journalist, Machida Seishiro, 19, was fined \$10. Takuhara Kobo, 53, Chitose Hotel, was fined \$20. Detective-Sergeant D. Loughlin prosecuted.

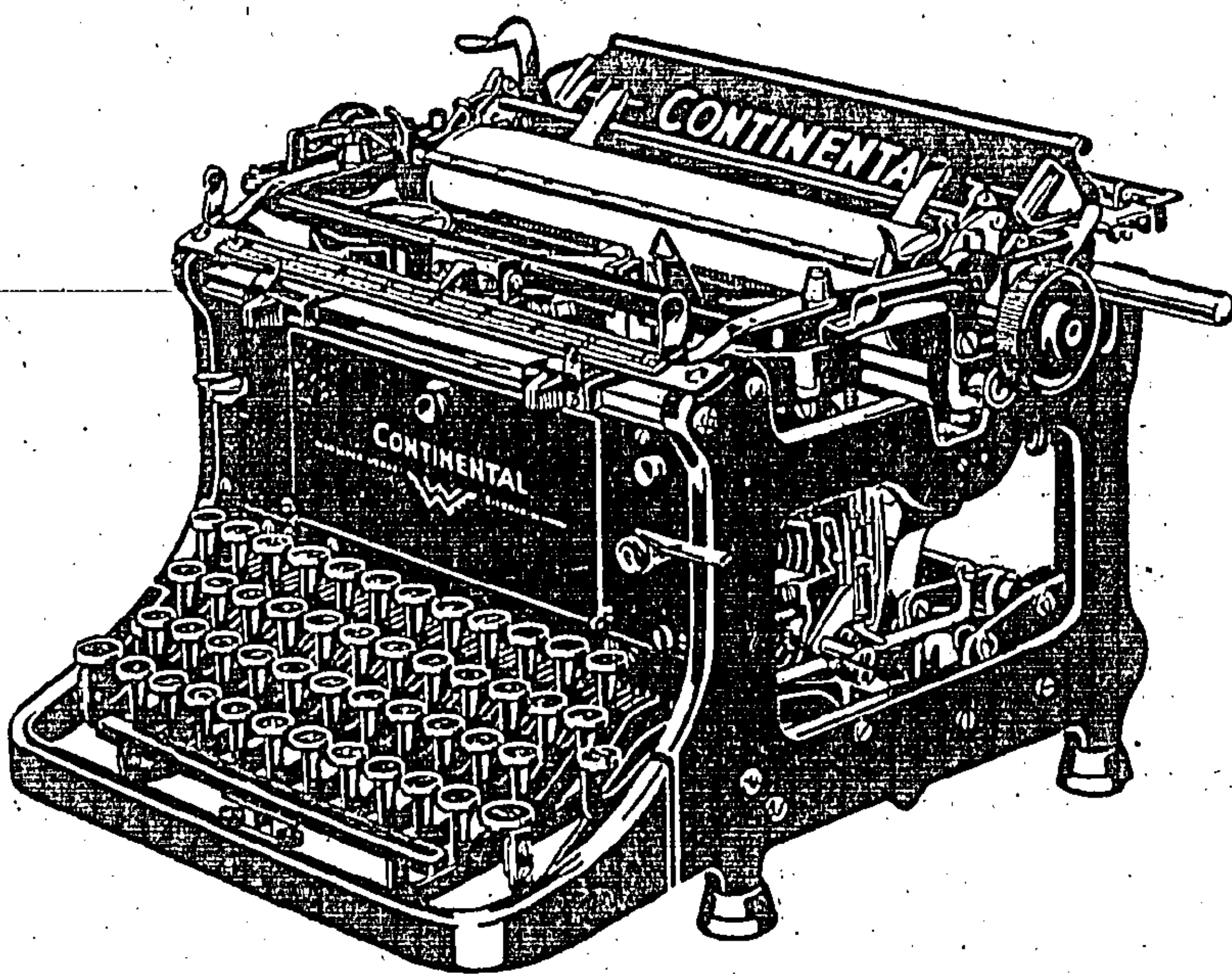
Prince Edward Road Attack Sequel In Court

IN CONNECTION with the attack by three men on the man of Mr. S. W. Minshall in Prince Edward Road yesterday morning, Shum Ching, 24, Chan Tak, 28, and Wong Hing, 23, were charged with robbery before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day.

On the application of Sub-Inspector Whelan, the defendants were remanded for 72 hours in police custody.

Sun In Moscow

Shanghai, Mar. 28. It is confirmed that Mr. Sun Fo has gone to Moscow in connection with more Soviet aid for China.—United Press.



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"THERE ARE more complaints for mosquitoes this year than for the last six years," said Sanitary Inspector J. McAlister Boyd to Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day when a summons against Cheng Fat was heard.

Cheng was summoned for having failed to abate the breeding of mosquitoes in water holes and water logged land in Shek Kap Mi village. A jam bottle containing a large quantity of live mosquito larvae were an exhibit in the case. Cheng was fined \$5, and warned that if the nuisance was not abated next week he would be more heavily fined.

PLAY IN TWO ACTS

THE SCENE: Wyndham Street, City, outside the Police barracks.

THE ACTORS: Twenty Indian and Chinese watchmen.

THE TIME: 10 a.m.

The scene opens with 20 Indian and Chinese watchmen kicking each other vigorously.

FLASH-BACK

THE SCENE: Same.

THE ACTORS: 20 Indian and Chinese watchmen, a Chinese woman and an ear-ring snatcher.

THE TIME: 9.35 a.m.

Mr. Yau-tai, 45-year-old married woman, was passing the Watchmen's Barracks along Wyndham Street this morning when a young man dressed in coolie clothes rushed up and snatched her ear-rings. She raised the alarm. But the thief was off like a flash, watched in amazement by 20 astonished Chinese and Indian watchmen and a bewailing woman. CURTAIN.

The P. & O. liner Canton left Shanghai yesterday and is due here at about 4 p.m. to-morrow.

prisoner not only lost his gold ring but was completely ignored by his fellow-robbers when the distribution of the spoils took place. This, His Lordship pointed out, must play very prominently in the minds of the Jury.

Accused's Confessions

Dealing with the case against the other four prisoners, His Lordship said that the evidence against them was given by a self-confessed member of the gang, who, in law, was an accomplice. It would be very unsafe to accept his evidence so far as it affected the prisoners, unless he was corroborated, but in this case there was no lack of corroboration, for each of the accused had made a statement telling in the frankest manner just how they took part in the robbery. There never had been any attempt by any of the prisoners to disguise the fact that they were members of the gang.

None of these four prisoners had given evidence denying that they had taken part in the robbery, and if the Jury were satisfied they had a common design they were all guilty, for it mattered not whether they were actually inside or outside the premises at the time.

"Hard Up" For Money

After the Jury had returned their verdicts and before sentence of death was passed, Lam Kam-chuen stated that he had gone to the premises because he was "hard up" for money. He had no intention of murdering anyone.

Both Fung Chak and Li Shek-man stated that Lam Kam-chuen, a member of the gang not in custody, had committed the murder.

Leung Tai said he had been fooled by Leung Fung, who told him that the robbery would be "as easy as picking money up from the ground."

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

25 YEARS AGO

The U.S. Consul-General in Hongkong Mr. G. E. Anderson, reports to Washington: "Although the chief portion of the Colony of Hongkong is an island composed almost entirely of a mountain ridge, in which roads have been constructed in the past only for pedestrians, sedan chairs, or rickshaws, and mostly at exceedingly steep grades, the past year has developed a considerable trade in automobiles. Some 40 or more are now in use in the colony, and three garages are doing a thriving business in renting cars for tourists' pleasure parties."

"There is a strong movement in the colony toward the improvement of all roadways on the lower levels and on the mainland portion of the colony so as to accommodate automobile traffic. The extension of roadways into the interior of the mainland is difficult, in view of a range of high hills to be crossed, but a considerable amount of road building for military purposes has already been done, and further extension and widening of this system are being made as funds and opportunity are had. The prospects of considerable road extension for purely civilian use are favourable, and it is probable that the extension of a motor road to points near the Chinese frontier, particularly to Fanning, a popular resort, will be made in the immediate future."

10 YEARS AGO

Captain D. D. Richards, acting master, Chinkun, has gone acting master, Shantung; Captain J. Heck, of the Hinchow, has gone master, Chinkun; Captain E. H. Gellie, of the Kwai-yang, has gone master, Hinchow; Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from Home leave, has gone master, Kwaiyang; Captain N. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, Shansi.

Mr. A. Abner, chief officer, Fatschan, is on reserve; Mr. T. Giffon, chief officer, Kikland, has gone chief officer, Fatschan; Mr. H. S. Patrickson, chief officer, Shantung, has gone chief officer, Kikland.

Mr. F. E. Noyon has been appointed second officer, Hupeh; Mr. A. M. Buchanan, second officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

Mr. J. McKimley, chief officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

Mr. F. J. Griffiths, chief officer, Kungchow, is on reserve; Mr. J. H. McLaren, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kungchow.

Mr. D. Broditch, chief officer, Chonan, is on reserve; Mr. W. Orwin, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Chonan.

Mr. R. Keon, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Sul Tai.

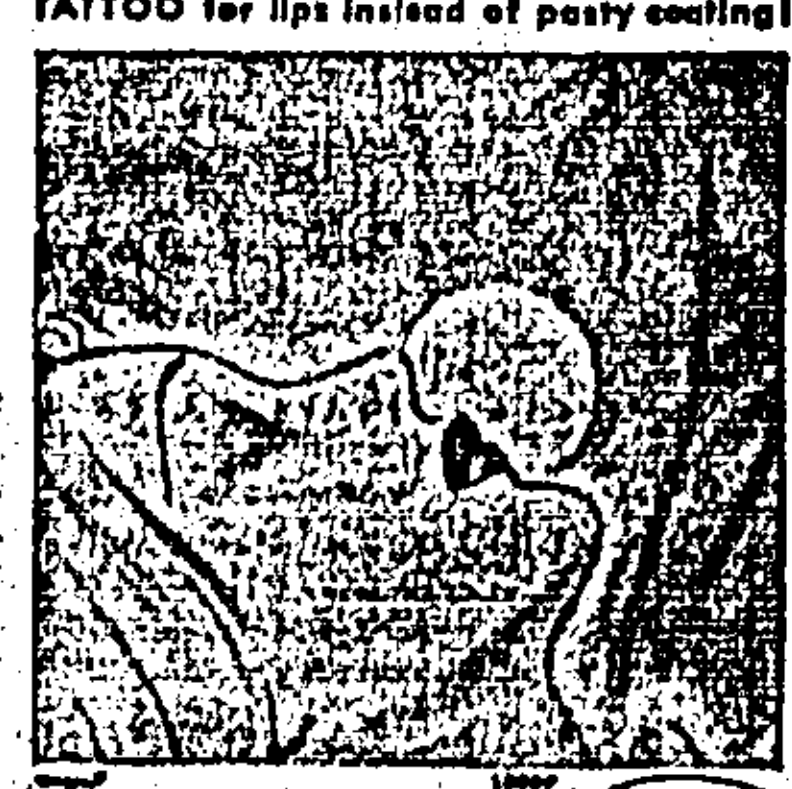
Mr. R. Burns, extra chief engineer officer, Hain Peking, has gone chief engineer officer, Yungchow; Mr. R. T. Middleton, acting chief engineer officer, Yungchow, has gone acting chief engineer officer, Wanlu.

5 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1934. The Rev. J. R. Higgs, M.A., who is to take the place of the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, M.A., as Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, is due to arrive in the colony on Saturday next by the s.s. Hector. The Rev. W. Walton Rogers will preach his farewell sermon on Sunday evening next, at 6 p.m.

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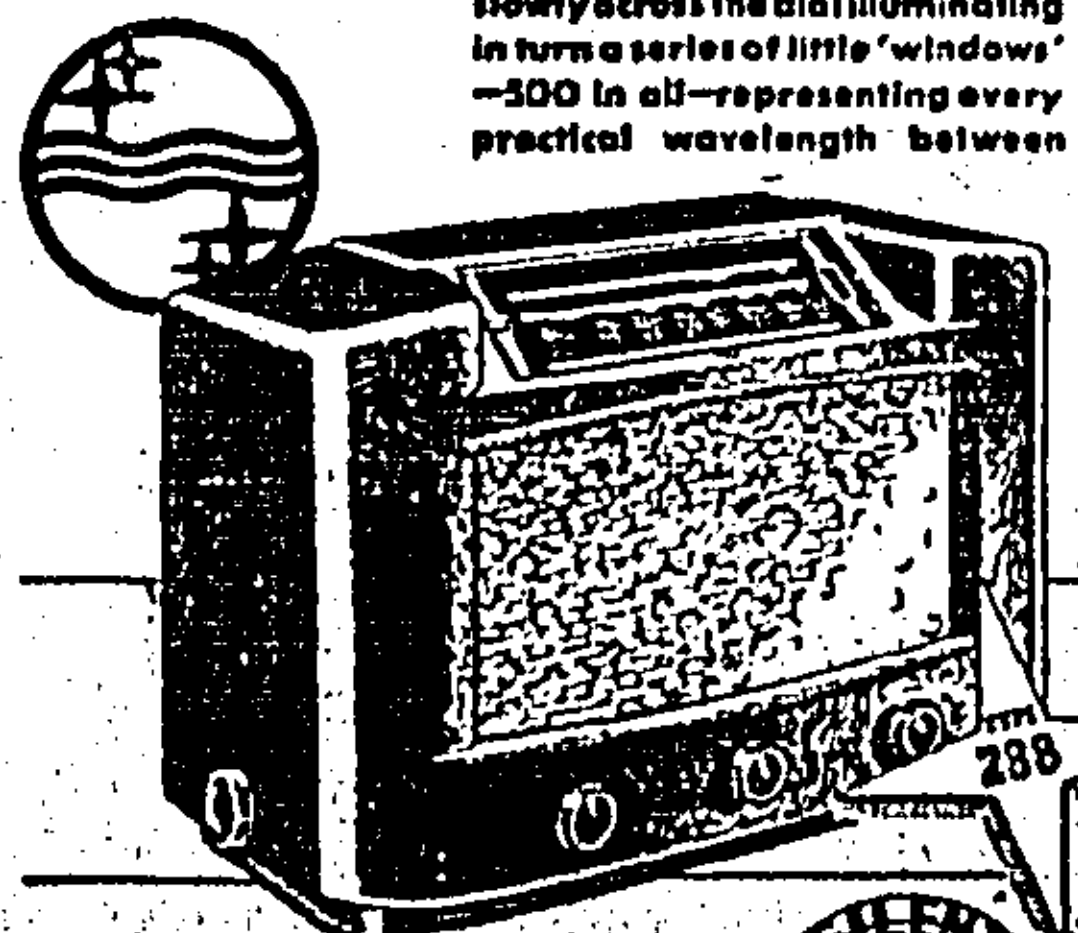
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Defence and Nutrition

THE DIFFICULTIES of assessing
nutrition values and the fact
that the scope of its inquiries en-
compasses extremely subjects which are
required only for statistical purposes
by the Colonial Office renders it
certain that the findings of the Hong-
kong Nutrition Committee will be
protracted into 1940.

In the meantime, presumably, it
is proposed that the Government
should sit back and await the Com-
mittee's Report before attempting to
so much as tackle the problem of
mal-nutrition in this Colony.

It is abundantly clear, without
calling for a Report from any Com-
mittee, that thousands of children
and infants in Hongkong are being
denied the nourishment they must
have if they are to become healthy
adult citizens.

We have been informed that the
cost of a bowl of soup containing
the requisite vitamins that will allow
a mother to nourish her child is but
one cent; that less than \$40,000
per annum the Society for the
Protection of Children can provide
one free bowl of soup per day in
every day of the year to ten thou-
sand mal-nourished mothers.

Although this Colony can, reluc-
tantly perhaps, find sufficient re-
venue to pay six million dollars per
annum to the Imperial Government
as a contribution towards Imperial
Defence, it can distribute but a
fraction of this sum for charitable
purposes. The Colony has spent
enormous sums since the beginning
of the century on Defence Contri-
butions—it would not be an over-
estimation to say that the total in
the past four decades has exceeded
\$100,000,000—and the net result is
that, if the entire population of
Hongkong were wiped out to-mor-
row by war, the loss in human life
would be infinitely less than if, in the
same period, a tenth part of \$100,-
000,000 had been spent in tackling
the problem of the under-nourished
child.

Statistics reveal that the Colony's
infantile mortality ranks amongst
the world's highest—incomplete re-
turns show that approximately one
in every three infants dies before
it reaches the age of twelve months.
Death is caused in the majority of
cases, not by lack of attention from
the infant's mother, but from lack
of nourishment from the mother's
breasts.

We are conscious of the fact—the
War Office has been at pains to
make it public this year—that the
cost to the Imperial Government of
maintaining the Army Garrison in
Hongkong is fivefold the amount
annually remitted to London as this
Colony's defence contribution. At
the same time, we are not convinced
that the bargain is a good one. The
garrison is not here primarily to
protect the citizen of Hongkong; it
is here as an integral part of the
British defence system in the Pacific,
and we have no doubt that, if
strategy dictated such a move in
time of war, Hongkong would quick-
ly be left to its fate, despite our
substantial contributions towards the
 upkeep of the garrison.

We realize that it is only just and
right, in these times of international
stress, that this Colony should con-
tribute substantially towards the
common defence of the Empire.
But we are convinced that in no
part of the Empire is a Government
called upon to contribute twenty per
cent of its total revenue, both munici-
pal and general, towards the
upkeep of the Army.

Whichever way we look at it, we
cannot see but that expenditure on
legitimate defence is for Government
the most essential of all. The tax-
payer is being starved in order to contribute an un-
fair and undue proportion of the
revenue for military undertakings.
It must be obvious that a lessening
of the Defence burden would result
in a proportionate increase in real

They Were Not Afraid To Die

By DONALD HODSON

TWENTY-SEVEN
years ago, on March
29, 1912, Captain R.
F. Scott wrote in his diary:
"It seems a pity, but I do
not think I can write more.
For God's sake look after
our people."

For ten days he and the two
companions that remained of
the four that had reached the
South Pole with him had been
held up by a blizzard. And for
ten days they had been slowly
dying of starvation and ex-
haustion.

That entry in Scott's diary
was the last flicker of life in
one of the greatest but one of
the most unfortunate of all
voyages of exploration. From
the moment when they came
across the traces of the Nor-
wegian, Roald Amundsen, who
beat them to the Pole by a few
weeks, their luck had turned
against them. The difficulties
they had to face were greater
than was humanly possible to
overcome.

Scott's second Antarctic ex-
pedition was, unlike the first,
entirely his own responsibility.
He wanted to complete the
knowledge of the South he had
acquired on the Discovery ex-
pedition ten years earlier, and
his purpose was primarily
scientific. It was to attract
funds from the public that he
made the Pole his objective.

On the outward voyage from
England he had received a mes-
sage from Amundsen, saying,
"Am heading South." From
that moment it was a race be-
tween them, and Scott was well
aware how heavy the odds were
against him.

And if one is to judge by
fame alone, it was he who suc-
ceeded and not Amundsen.
Amundsen's brilliant feat is one
which one admires and no more.
Scott's failure and death were
of the kind to catch the imagina-
tion. The diary which he kept
until he had no more strength
to write is one of the most mov-
ing documents ever written.

The outward journey was
fairly straightforward.
Depots of food were left at
intervals and the party was
gradually reduced as sections
returned to the base.

Six hundred miles of the Ice
Barrier were covered before a
blizzard came down on them at
the foot of the Beardmore
glacier and held them up for
three days on end. It was a
serious blow. Reserves of time,
food and energy were dissipated
and the margin of safety was
reduced.

When the weather cleared,
three teams of four men carried
on up the glacier. Near the top
one team was sent back. Two
parties struggled on to the bleak
desolation of the 10,000 foot
high plateau where the Pole it-
self is situated. They were
still 400 miles from their goal.

Even at this late stage there
was little wrong with anyone in
the Polar party. When Lieuten-
ant Evans (now, Admiral Sir
Edward Evans) turned back
with two others 200 miles from
the Pole, he left the remaining
five as strong and well as they
could be expected to be.

With Scott were Dr. E. A.
Wilson, zoologist; Captain L. E.
G. Oates, of the Inniskilling
Dragoons; Lieutenant H. R.
Bowers, of the Royal Indian
Marine; and Seaman Edgar
Evans, of the Royal Navy.

Some way beyond 89 degrees
South the first Norwegian cairn
was sighted and they knew they
had been beaten. They pushed
on to the Pole, reaching it on
January 17, and picked up
Amundsen's messages. He had
camped there on December 16,
just a month earlier. "All the
day-dreams must go," wrote
Scott, "it will be a wearisome
return."

The cold and the wind began
to get the better of them. On
the high plateau the tempera-
tures averaged minus 10 degrees
Fahrenheit, 51 degrees of frost,
and this, with a wind of any-
thing up to gale force. At the
Pole itself the temperature was
minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit.

Seaman Evans, the strongest
man of the party, began to
succumb. His nose was badly
frost-bitten and his hands were
covered with frost-bite blisters.
Oates suffered from frozen feet.
Blizzards overtook them, and
their marches were dangerously
short. Wilson suffered agonies
from snow-blindness. Evans
cut his knuckle and it festered.
His fingernails were now rotting
and falling out.

More accidents befell them.
Wilson strained a tendon, Scott
slipped on the ice and hurt his
shoulder, and by the time they
reached the glacier head and
left the plateau Bowers was the
only fit man.

They started down the glacier
on February 8. On the way
down Evans fell and concussed
himself, and on February 17, at
the foot of the glacier, he had
another fall, was brought in on
the sledge, and died the same
night without recovering con-
sciousness.

Their morale severely shaken,
they pushed on, gradually
weakening.

It suddenly became much
colder. Temperatures fell to
minus 30 degrees F. by day and
minus 40 degrees F. by night.
The oil supply at their next de-
pot was unaccountably short.
Oates's feet were much worse.

On March 10 Scott's diary
reads: "Things steadily down-
hill"; on March 11, "Oates is
very near the end, one feels."
They divide up the medical
means of ending their lives.

On March 17 Oates managed
to struggle on with them till
they camped. That evening,
with a blizzard raging outside,
he got up and said, "I am just
going outside and may be some
time." They never saw him
again. He walked out to his
death so that he should no
longer be a drag on them. He
not only gave them another

chance, but spared them the
pain of watching him die.

But the survivors were in
little better condition. The ex-
treme cold and the blizzards
continued. On March 18, Scott
wrote: "My right foot has
gone, nearly all the toes." And
a day later: "Amputation is the
least I can hope for, but will
the trouble spread?"

That night, the 20th, they
camped only eleven miles from
their next depot. It was their
last camp. They had food for
only four days and practically
no fuel.

On March 29 comes the last
entry. They had decided that
it should be a natural death.
Seven months later the search
party found them lying in the
tent, as if asleep.

There have been many post-
mortems held on the fate of
Scott and his companions.
There is nothing that can be
added now. Scott's own "Mes-
sage to the Public," written in
those last days, explained the
major reasons. "The causes of
the disaster are not due to
faulty organisation, but to mis-
fortune in all risks which had
to be undertaken."

Their failure was due first
and foremost to the weather,
which was far worse than they
could reasonably have expected
from previous experience. Next,
the shortage of paraffin at the
depots, which Scott could not
explain, but was due to seepage
through the faulty stoppers of
the tin containers. Then, ac-
cording to Mr. Cherry-Garrard,
one of the zoologists of the ex-
pedition, the food allowances
were inadequate, both as re-
gards calories existent. Even
on full rations they were under-
nourished.

Nervous energy alone drove
them on. They refused until the
last moment to admit their de-
feat. At the end of it, Scott
could write, "For my own sake,
I do not regret this journey,
which has shown that Engli-
shmen can endure hardships, help
one another and meet death
with as great a fortitude as ever
in the past."

It is for this spirit with which
they faced the hardships that in
the end overcame them that
their names have not been and
will not be forgotten.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

Q. Some say you are Hit-
ler's puppet. Is it
true?

A. "Our record in inter-
national affairs indi-
cates a sleepless vigilance
to build peace and make
friends. More peace, more
friends."

"We yield nothing of our
autonomy nor do we allow our
power to be used as pawn by
others." (p. 206.)

"Speaking of foreign policy in re-
lation to the different groups of
Powers, I summarised my thoughts
with this definition: 'We cannot
allow ourselves either a plan of in-
sane altruism or one of complete
subservience to the plans of the
other peoples. Ours is a policy of
autonomy.' (pp. 204-5.)

"I am rated as a leader who pre-
cedes and not one who follows." (p.
151.)

Q. You have 215,000 Germans in
South Tyrol, south of the
Brenner Pass. Do you think you
can keep them?

A. "We find ourselves at the
Brenner Pass now, and...
at the Brennero we will remain at
any price." (p. 120.)

Q. How long do you think you
and Hitler will stick together?

A. "Only in front of the magni-
tude and suggestiveness of
danger, only after having lived to-
gether in the anxieties and torments
of war, can one measure the sound-
ness of a friendship or measure in
advance how long it is destined to
go on." (p. 31.)

service to the public. The most ur-
gent service we can think of is the
service dictated by humanity—that
of saving some of the thousands of
lives that are being sacrificed to-day
on the altar of mal-nutrition.
I am always able to keep them,
in view of the rising tide of Hitler's
Pan-Germanism?

Second article of a new series in which questions are put to the Duce by an interpreter—and answered from Mussolini's "My Autobiography."

Q. But on the last occasion Ger-
many and Italy were allies
Italy let down Germany and en-
tered the great war on the side of
the Allies. Why?

A. "Italy a few years previously
had renewed the Triple Al-
liance Treaty."

"It had been a marriage without
respect and without trust, brought
about more in order to counter-
balance military power than by
political necessity."

"As a matter of fact the treaty
called only for action if one or more
of the nations of the Triple Alliance
was assailed by a nation outside
the alliance. We were kept in the
dark, as I well know. That was
enough to break the pact—to free
us from further obligations to that
alliance."

"One of the first courageous ac-
tions in which Italy showed the
measure of her independence and
strength was recognition of this."
(p. 35.)

Q. What did you think of Ger-
many's action in the war?

A. "Public opinion in Italy was
deeply moved facing war with
its German invasion of East France.
There was the description, with hor-
rid details, of German methods, and
above all, the every sense of right
and humanity."

"The future not of one nation, but
of many nations, was on the scale."
There was also the feeling of
common culture which was compel-
ling us to forget past and present
quarrels. I could not bear the idea

that my country might abandon
those who were crushed under the
weight of war and unwarranted mis-
fortune." (p. 39.)

Q. Hitler confessedly aims at
world domination. What did
you think of German ideas of do-
mination in those days.

A. "A handful of intelligent and
strong-willed men began to
ask themselves if it was really right
for Italians to lend themselves to the
political aim of the King of Prussia,
and if that was good for the future
of Italy and of the world. . . . The
putting of that question was my
most distinguished effort at journal-
ism." (pp. 39-40.)

Q. What do you think of Eng-
land's part in the war.

A. "I watched England; she was
pondering deeply upon the
step to take, and then, in order to
keep her supremacy, and also for the
sake of her pride and the sake of
humanity, she moved her formid-
able war machinery and quickened
the organisation of new armies to
snatch from Germany's grip the con-
trol of the old Continent." (pp. 38-
39.)

Q. Hitler condemns the Treaty of
Versailles, which resulted
from this war. What do you think
of it?

A. "The event for Europe was the
end of a nightmare. The con-
tinual disillusions, the reserves and
protests of Germany and the dis-
tributions between the Allies constituted
a permanent danger and a reason
for anxiety for many nations. The
conclusion of the treaty was, there-
fore, for them, a liberation."

"For Italy, on the contrary, it
was a complete shattering of ideals."

"We had won the war; we were
utterly defeated in the diplomatic
battle. We were losing the whole of
Dalmatia, our land by tradition and
history. . . . The colonial problem
was resolved for us in an absolutely
negative way." (p. 60.)

Q. What do you think of your
new friends, the Jugo-Slavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which
did, and still does, work itself
along the subterranean tunnels of
secret societies. . . ." (p. 35.)

Q. How would you define a good
politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must
be animated by the humane
and devout sense; they must have
a regard, a love and a deep vision
toward their fellow-creatures. And
all these qualities must not be do-
loured by dissimulations, or rhetoric,
or flatteries, or compromises, or ser-
vile concessions." (p. 35.)

Q. And do you fit this defini-
tion?

A. "On this ground at least I am
proud to know myself as one
not to be suspected—even by my-
self—and feeling as to my latest
moral fibre that this fibre is invinc-
ible."

"I believe that this, above all else,
has been the stuff and fabric of my
strength and success." (p. 35.)

TO-MORROW:
"I do not sleep my way to
conclusions."

JAPANESE ANTI-BRITISH FEELING

OFFICIAL ADMITS IT IS NOW VERY POWERFUL

No Chance of British Mediation in China

LONDON, Mar. 28. A RESPONSIBLE Japanese spokesman to-day told the "United Press" that Japan would refuse British mediation in the Far East. He denied that Mr. Quo Tai-chi's talks with Lord Halifax yesterday had been in connection with possible British mediation.

He argued that Britain is too deeply involved in China to be an impartial peace-maker, pointing specifically to Britain's credits to China. Also he said that anti-British feeling runs so high in Japan that British intervention would be utterly unacceptable.

It is believed here that the conference between Sir Robert Craigie and Sir Archibald Clark Kerr to be held in Shanghai is primarily due to British anxiety to relieve the ruinous effects of the Japanese closure of the Yangtze and Pearl rivers, and also from fears that Japan will employ Hitler's methods and gain control of the International Settlement in Shanghai.

NO PEACE PARLEYS

The Japanese in London also express the belief that Sir Robert Craigie will also see the Japanese Charge d'Affaires and local Army and Navy chiefs in Shanghai, but they doubt whether he will invite peace parleys.

The wish to relax the acute Anglo-Japanese tension is resulting in a controversy in the British Concession in Tientsin which, the Japanese say, is a hotbed of Chinese terrorists, and which has prompted the British decision to send a Military Attaché from Tokyo soon to Tientsin. The British counter charge is that the Japanese are trying to provoke incidents in Tientsin as a pretext for encroaching on or taking over foreign concessions.—United Press.

Chinese To Forego Shark's Fin

Chungking, Mar. 28. "There shall be no shark's fin for any feast from now on." This notification has been issued by the Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce to all merchants' guilds, according to a Shanghai report.

The ban is imposed not only in order to boycott a Japanese principal export, but also for the sake of economy at this emergency time.

The shark's fin is a favourite Chinese food. Before the outbreak of the war, there was a large import every year.—Central News.

New Slovak Law Raises German Protest

Pressburg, Mar. 28. The German Party in Slovakia has protested against a law decreed here. The law stipulates that all lawyers not resident in Slovakia on October 31, 1938, or whose fathers were not Slovakian residents at that time, will have to discontinue their practice. The German protest argues that a large number of German lawyers, but only a small number of Jewish lawyers, will be affected by the decree.

The protest says that the Slovak Government will have to decide whether the law should generally be in favour of Jews, and to the detriment of Germans.—Trans-Ocean.

Italy

Italians To Celebrate Air Force Day

Rome, Mar. 28. Italian Air Force Day, destined to commemorate the enactment of the law of March 28, 1923, creating an autonomous air arm as an integral part of the fighting forces, was celebrated throughout the country to-day. In Rome a wreath was laid by two Italian Legionaries from Spain at the monument of the Unknown Soldier in Piazza Venezia in the presence of Signor Mussolini and 10,000 "armen" including 3,000 Legionaries. In front of the "Altar of the Fatherland" Il Duce subsequently decorated a number of armen with the gold service medal, while rela-

Wife Of Seaforth Dies Here

Florence Waller, 35 year-old wife of Sgt. Waller of the Seaforth Highlanders, died at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday after an illness of three months. Her husband has been stationed at Shamshuip, instead of going with the Battalion to Shanghai.

Deceased was a native of London. She leaves a widower and three children. The funeral takes place at Happy Valley at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

HUGE WARSHIPS FOR U.S.

Roosevelt Says Japan Is Cause

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28. IT HAS been revealed from the White House that President Roosevelt has approved the Navy Department's plans for the construction of 45,000 ton warships.

However, Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, did not state how many it is proposed to construct.

It is believed, however, that the President approved the construction of two for which the funds will be sought during this session of Congress.

The oral approval given to Admiral Leahy was based on information that foreign powers are constructing warships in excess of 35,000 tons.—United Press.

JAPAN THE CAUSE

Washington, Mar. 28. President Roosevelt in a statement to the press said that among other factors causing him to approve the construction of 45,000 ton battleships was the refusal of Japan to agree to adhere to the limitation of construction to 35,000 tons.

The President refused to specify any other reasons.—United Press.

ANGLO-FRENCH JOINT OPERATIONS

Paris, Mar. 28. Chief of the French General Staff, Marshal Gamelin, Vice Admiral Francois Darlan, Air Force General Georges Vuillemin together with the head of the British Supreme War Council, General Viscount Gort, have arrived to inspect the Maginot Line and to discuss plans for joint operations in the event of war.—United Press.

NEW HOSPITAL

Appeal for Money to Cover Cost of Building

London, Mar. 28. Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 8 and so far £20,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000 by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker.—British Wireless.

Lives of 30 armen who fell in Spain received commemorative medals. Signor Mussolini, accompanied by members of the Government and numerous other leading personalities, afterwards watched a parade of 31,000 armen in Via Impero.—Trans-Ocean.

Chamberlain Denies Cabinet Split

London, Mar. 28. Press reports and rumours in political circles to the effect that there exists a divergence of opinion within the Cabinet on matters of foreign policy were emphatically denied by the Prime Minister in an address before the members of the Conservative Club, when Mr. Chamberlain was the guest of honour at a dinner this evening. Mr. Chamberlain once more reviewed the political developments since Munich, and expressed the conviction that the policy pursued at Munich by the British Government was completely justified, since no other course was possible at the time.

Referring to his recent statement in the House, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Government was unable to make a comprehensive statement on the situation, due to the fact that extremely delicate negotiations were going on at present.—Trans-Ocean.

"GRIEVOUS, SHOCKING EUROPEAN EVENTS"

But Pensions Minister Sees Some Good Come Out Of Them

LONDON, Mar. 28. GRIEVOUS AND SHOCKING as the recent European events have been, they have had a good result and provided a powerful stimulus to the enrolment in Britain in the various forms of national service, declared Mr. H. Ramsbotham, Minister of Pensions, in the course of a recruiting speech at Middlesbrough to-day.

When a great European State gives a solemn and deliberate pledge, he said, it has hitherto been legitimate to assume it to be of some value. But now that pledge has been broken and our course was clear.

It was the duty of everybody, regardless of occupation, to take part in some form of A.R.P. work, and with the establishment of our military forces incomplete, no sound young man could find a better place to serve the country in the hour of danger than in the armed forces.

There may be, at the moment, a feeling of jubilation among some sections of the German people at the spectacle of material success, but the price of it in the future may be heavy, concluded the speaker.—Reuter Special.

Franconia Due On A World Trip

SIXTY-EIGHT cars, divided into four parties of 17 each, will be required for sightseeing tours of Hongkong and the New Territories which Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son have arranged for the Franconia tourists when the great Cunard White Star luxury liner berths in Hongkong tomorrow.

The Franconia is due at 7 a.m. from Annam in French Indochina. Her passengers, number over 200, will stay here for only one day, during which they will be taken to the Peak, round the Island, and through the New Territories. At night they will be left to their own devices.

The Franconia sailed from New York on January 5 and is due back on May 2. She will have travelled 38,300 miles on a route which has been attractively varied from the route taken in previous years. Among the new ports of call are Sumatra, Kupang in Timor Island, where Captain Bligh is said to have landed the men he saved from the mutinous Bounty, Port Darwin, and the South Sea ports of Pila in the New Hebrides, Noumea in New Caledonia, Jukualofa in the Friendly Islands, and Pago Pago in Samoa.

The Franconia will call at San Francisco for the Golden Gate Exposition before returning to New York via the Panama Canal. Perhaps the most noteworthy of the 36 ports of call on the Franconia's itinerary was Tristan da Cunha, the loneliest island settlement of the British Empire. The visit of such a large liner was an event in the history of this island, a tiny extinct volcano midway between Montevideo and Cape Town with a population of 172, most of them descendants of shipwrecked sailors.

German-Polish Conference

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Considerable importance is attached to the long conference which took place yesterday between the Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, and the German Ambassador, Herr von Moltke. Its importance is increased in view of the recent anti-German demonstrations in Poland, and the subsequent criticism voiced against Poland in the German press, which complained that the Treaty of Friendship of 1934 was not working satisfactorily. No official statement has been issued here, however, and strict silence is maintained by all concerned on the outcome.—Trans-Ocean.

"HALT HITLER" PLANS

Premier's Statement To Commons

LONDON, Mar. 28. IN THE HOUSE OF Commons to-day the Prime Minister indicated that Britain's plan for a Four Power "Halt Hitler" front includes concrete measures against future aggression in Europe.

He did not say that a military alliance had been proposed, but he declared that Britain's proposals go beyond mere consultation in the event of aggression.

He refused to reveal details of consultations which are still in progress.

Replying to the Labour Member, Mr. Hugh Dalton, who asked the Premier to explain the proposed coalition agreement, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What the Government has in mind goes a good deal further than consultation."

Mr. Dalton queried whether Britain would join other countries in aiding Poland in the event of aggression. To this, Mr. Chamberlain declined to answer but he said, "The Government has made it perfectly clear, to other governments with which they are prepared to consult, exactly what the Government is prepared to do."

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, told questions that trade negotiations with Germany have been suspended.—United Press.

ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS

Replying to Mr. Harry Greenwood in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain stated: "The Government is actively continuing consultations with other governments on the issues arising from recent events. During the progress of these consultations the House will appreciate that it is essential their confidential character be respected."

"The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned."

Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether, in order to remove apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS. Mr. Chamberlain replied: "It will be understood from what I have previously said, what the Government has in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I do not think I should like to go into any further detail at the moment."

In reply to further questions, the Premier said that the Government had made it perfectly clear, to the other governments with which they are prepared to consult, exactly what the Government is prepared to do. There would be a discussion on the matter at the earliest possible moment in the House.

BRITISH REVENUE DOWN

£38,500,000 Short Of Budget Estimates

LONDON, Mar. 28. THE FINANCIAL year ends at midnight on Friday. Up to last Saturday the total ordinary revenue amounted to £906,108,619. This was an increase of nearly £48,000,000 on a year ago, but was still £38,500,000 short of the budget estimate.

The principal source in which revenue has fallen short of the estimates is death duties, which have so far yielded £76,140,000, compared with £87,800,000 a year ago, and against an estimate of £88,000,000.

Total expenditure, less self-balancing items for sinking funds, is £917,109,922, compared with £826,408,001 a year ago.

Ordinary expenditure also looks like being less than the total budgeted for, and provided by the supplementary estimates, which is £951,725,000.—British Wireless.

Anti-Dumping Legislation Not Likely

London, Mar. 28. Asked in the House of Commons if, in view of the growing volume of subsidised German imports, he would consider the imposition by legislation of special anti-dumping duties on the lines of those imposed by the American Government, the President of the Board of Trade replied that the subject of subsidised competition in the United Kingdom market had been considered on a number of occasions, and he saw no reason to differ from the conclusion reached, that the existing tariff system was adequate to deal with competition of this kind.—British Wireless.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
May	6.14/13	6.15/15
July	7.93/93	7.96/96
October	7.54/54	7.57/57
December	7.50/50	7.52/52
January	7.49b/50a	7.51N
March	7.52/52	7.56/56
Spot		8.00N

New York Rubber

	15.95b/16.03a	16.05/05
March	15.95b/16.03a	16.05/05
May	15.99/00	16.05/05
Sept.	15.98b/16.05a	16.05/05

Chicago Wheat		
May	07 1/4/07 3/4	07 1/4/07
July	07 1/2/07 3/4	07 1/2/07
Sept.		08 3/4/08
Monday's Sales:—3,097,000 bushels		

Chicago Corn		
May	47¾/47½	47¾/47
July	49¾/49½	40¾/40
Sept.	50½/50¾	50¼/50

Winnipeg Wheat		
May	60 /59¾	60¼/60
July	60¼/60¾	61 /61
October	—————	62 /62

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DEFENCE PARLEYS
IN WELLINGTON

possible moment, but there is more than one government involved, and decision is not solely a decision of His Majesty's Government.—Reuter.

DEFENCE PARLEYS IN WELLINGTON. London, Mar. 28. Making a written reply to a question asked on March 24 regarding the proposed Pacific Conference, in which representatives of Great Britain, New Zealand and Australia will participate, the Prime Minister in the House of Commons to-day said that the Government was satisfied that the composition of the United Kingdom delegation was suitable for the question to be discussed.

Lieut.-Commander Fletcher asked if the Prime Minister had not considered that events which had transpired since the conference was announced, rendered it of far greater importance than originally contemplated, and from that point of view, would he consider strengthening representation so as to make it one of first-class importance.



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PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

LONDON, Mar. 28. SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion, and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts. "These men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let every Irishman who thinks there ought to be an Irish Republic be patriots. They are perfectly entitled to be. "But these men are charged with committing a criminal offence. "The eight accused were all found guilty and sentenced. One was sent to penal servitude for 17 years, another for 15 years, a third for 14 years, another for 12 years, two for 10 years, one for seven years, and the eighth to 18 months hard labour.—Reuter.

Ango-Indian Pact Rejected

New Delhi, Mar. 28. The Indian Assembly, by 59 votes to 47, refused to-day to approve the Indo-Anglo trade agreement. The Moslem League abstained from voting.—Reuter.

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Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others? flororous, seigneur, folicle, stenograph, sedentary, stenocled, English Oxford Dictionary, spelling of these words will be found on page 9.

TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS

TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 2-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The latest stages of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the spasmodic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faulty position by Rumjahn and Hussain led many spectators to the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were entrenched at the net they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed lobs, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

This was the only match played. The other one scheduled was not played, Lt. D. C. Misra and Lt. S. M. Afzal conceding a walk-over to Major F. C. Nottingham and Capt. R. B. Lecky.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following is the programme to-day:

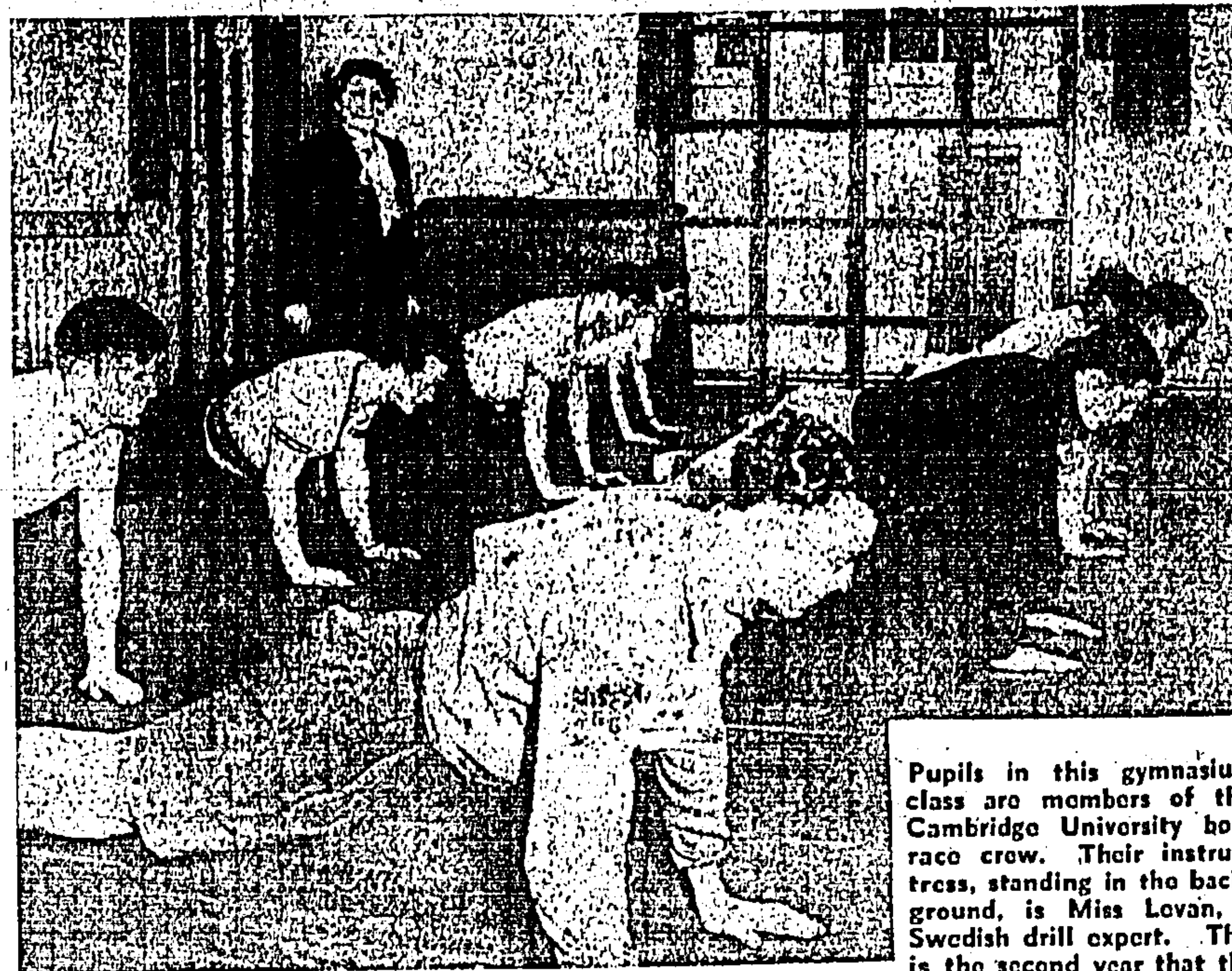
Open Singles.—Tsui Yun-pul v. T. J. Gould; Leong Ping-chiu v. Lee Wai-long.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.—H. J. Armstrong and Mrs. Andrews v. E. E. and Mrs. Story.

Handicap Singles.—J. C. Pool v. A. T. Dow; V. R. Gordon v. T. C. Monaghan.

Handicap Doubles.—J. W. Mayhew and L. Brown v. C. D. N. Walker and R. G. Gray; R. M. M. King and J. P. Murphy v. J. Thomson and R. G. Biesel.

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Pupils in this gymnasium class are members of the Cambridge University boat race crew. Their instructor, standing in the background, is Miss Levan, a Swedish drill expert. This is the second year that the

Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon-Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macadam

London, Mar. 2.

Promoter Sydney Hulls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar, and Hulls is getting round the difficulties engendered by those who say that Danahar can never again attempt to make the light-weight limit of 10st. 5lbs. by fixing the fight at 10st.

That would be a comfortable weight for Danahar, and Boon would not mind the disparity. That would be one half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protégé who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he wuz robbed.

READY FOR THE SIGNING

The conference was timed yesterday with Sydney Hulls, John Harding and Jack Solomons, Eric Boon's manager, in the West End of London. Solomons could not turn up, and final details of the Boon-Danahar fight were not arranged, but Sydney Hulls assured me last night that it was all over but the signing.

It seems that the well-known Boon eye has yielded to treatment much better than was expected, and he will be able to fight almost as soon as he gets back from his long holiday in America, so you may expect to hear any day now of a Boon-Danahar match on a Farr-Burman bill—at 10st. over twelve rounds in any public place from Salisbury Plain to the Devonshire Sporting Club.

HELPING RIVALS

That Harrington scrap has given a terrific fillip to business along the river, and a great deal of the effects will be seen even in the rival promotion of Johnny Best at Harrington on March 10, when Len Harvey and Larry Gains battle for the Empire heavyweight title.

Both men are in serious training. Harvey at his favourite camp, Jack Straw's Castle, Weybridge, and Gains at Shochuryness, where a variegated assortment of sparring partners testify to his fitness.

Fit or not, I will prognosticate thus far from the night of battle that Harvey will be the same fighting fury that he was against Philip, and that being so Larry will have to be very fit indeed.

Nearer home there is the big show at the Albert Hall to-morrow night. Now this is interesting to me largely because the principal protagonists, Al Delaney of Canada and Jack London of West Harlepool, are pretty much on trial. They have both shown good form, and when they are good they are quite good. They have both shown bad form, and when they are bad they are terrible.

CONTENDERS ON TRIAL

For six months now both have chased Harvey for a little fight, and it depends entirely on the kind of performance they give the cash customers in the Albert Hall how their

TIME-LIMITLESS TEST MATCHES NOT TO INTEREST OF CRICKET

London, March 15.

Everybody is not commenting on the timeless Test in South Africa and most of them are saying "I told you so." Here are some comments from famous people.

Walter Hammond (speaking at lunch yesterday at Durban) said "I hope that this is the last timeless Test that will ever be played between South Africa and England. I am convinced that these are not in the best interests of the game."

Sir Pelham Warner (former chairman of England's Selection Committee): "I would like to see five-day Tests in England and six-day matches in Australia and South Africa. In recent years it seems that many batsmen disregard their natural methods for unnecessary caution. In addition, the wickets are much too good."

"This problem of wickets is undergoing careful consideration, and I think that before the summer a definite move will be made to make the fight between bat and ball more even."

Sir Stanley Jackson (President of Yorkshire C.C.C.): England's effort in the last innings at Durban was astounding, but it has not been a very satisfactory match. The feeling in this country, as far as I can judge, is very definitely against playing without some limit."

"I believe that a cricket match without a clock is certainly not what we used to regard as a cricket match. My view is that a good game should not be put in a position where it can be ridiculed."

Frank Chester (one of our leading umpires): "Timeless Tests are a wash-out. That Leeds wicket last summer was ideal. It provided an equal test of skill, it was not dangerous, and for three days we had thrill after thrill."

NO MORE SUCH?

The last and "timeless" Test Match of the series has ended in a decisively and general opinion is that the experiment is unlikely to be tried again in matches between this country and South Africa. It is pointed out that a match which may last as this did, for nine days of actual play (apart from a day of rain) is unlikely to produce the best

—is opposed to the most cautious—cricket, and the fact that interest was restored to the match towards the end by a magnificent M.C.C. innings cannot be reckoned as a normal probability.

This caveat against a repetition of one factor of the M.C.C. tour should not obscure its general success. The relations between the English team, finely captained by W. B. Hammond, and Alan Molyneux's South Africans have been excellent; no less pleasant has been their reception by the public in South Africa. Many in both countries will echo the wish expressed by the M.C.C.'s hosts that the interchange of visits may become more frequent. Certainly, South Africa gave every sign, especially in the Fourth Test, of possessing a side of equal calibre to the team that has made cricket history by scoring, for the loss of five wickets, the largest total ever made in a fourth innings.

Right up to the very end, which was certainly one of the bitterest, this match remained a kind of cause-celèbre. The Friday before last most people were regretting that such an affair had ever been started—an opinion which the events of the subsequent few days did little to alter—but the news of the abandonment caused the greatest disappointment for it cannot be gainsaid that England's wonderful effort for victory had aroused widespread interest.

WICKET PERFECT

An interest, however, which was apt to lose sight of the fact that the pitch was practically as perfect as when the match began; and many of the South African spectators, throughout the game, must have sighed for the good old days of matting, when the ball did have a chance, and when the batsman had continually to be on the look-out. As it was 5,447 balls were delivered during this particular match more than a quarter of the total number sent down by Turner and Ferris during the whole of the Australian tour of England in 1888.

POLO BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.

This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year! Ah, Money was spent lavishly. The defeat complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Balding, Captain of the British squad, as he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight recently. A big, ruddy-cheeked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had great directness of the neck, this serious young stalwart to whom polo was life itself. Almost the first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at a meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing.

He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacitation and the fact that Capt. Humphrey Guinness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Balding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Hesketh Hughes, Bob Skene, John Laking, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad which could boast four 10-goal players.

Balding outlined the campaign plans, which included a first exhibition match at Medwick Feb. 10. The west coast men were to serve as trials for b.c. riders and ponies, with the squad arriving at Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED

But the world of dreams has tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there always is the possibility that such an affair might arouse team-mates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual or team which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.

The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1, from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Iglehart and Michael Phipps were all invited to participate in the trials. Phipps was accorded a ten-goal rating recently.

Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal handicap men as the nucleus of the International team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest who boast eight goal handicaps; E. J. Boesche Jr., William Post II, E. E. Gery, G. H. Bostwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. V. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handicaps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Talkeo court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo (holders) defeated K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss E. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

The results were: D. Kwok beat P. Lo 15-0, 10-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat K. L. Yung and Miss W. Cheung 15-7, 15-5.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios 15-5, 10-10.

Home Football

RANGERS MAKE SURE OF LEAGUE

London, Mar. 28. Glasgow Rangers made certain of the championship of the First Division in the Scottish Football League to-day by visiting Clyde and playing a draw of 1-1. The point gained from this encounter ensures the Rangers of remaining at the top of the League Table irrespective of the results of their remaining matches.

The following were the results of the matches played: Clyde 1 Rangers 1; Kilmarnock 4 Hibernian 0. —Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLE				
The following are the leading teams in the Scottish League:				
	P.	W.	D.	L.
Rangers	34	23	8	3
Celtic	34	17	7	8
Falkirk	34	17	7	10
Aberdeen	33	17	6	10
Queen's Park	34	16	8	10

Football Matches Re-Arranged

Owing to the annual inspection of the Middlesex Regiment, the first division football match between the Middlesex and Eastern, which was scheduled for to-day, has been postponed until Friday at Soekunpoo at 5 p.m.

The following matches have been re-arranged from Saturday to Monday and Tuesday, next week: Monday.—Second Division, Royal Scots v. South China (Military Ground), 5 p.m. Tuesday.—First Division, Royal Scots v. South China "B" (Soekunpoo), 5 p.m.

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NANCY



40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourney

Competition Divided Into Four Sections, Each With Ten Sides

Forty teams entered for the Six-a-side hockey competition, organized by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground. Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines.

All matches, including the final, will be played off on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own Club colours.

Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played.

The draw resulted as follows:

Navy Ground No. 1
First Round.—8th A.A. v. Radio "A"; Perseus "A" v. Kumaons "A".
Second Round.—Officers H.M.S. Midway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla; Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College "A"; C.B.A. "A" v. U.S.R.C. "A"; A.A. v. Radio "A" v. Perseus "A" or Kumaons "A".

C.B.A. Ground
First Round.—Recreio "C" v. 8th R.A. "B"; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".
Second Round.—R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B"; Olympus v. Lower Deck; Midway; Seawen v. R. Engineers; Recreio "C" or 8th R.A. "B" v. 8th R.A. "A" or Middlesex "C".

Recreio Ground
First Round.—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".
Second Round.—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Knudsen; Schult; R. Scots v. Recreio "B"; Radio "B" or Nomads "B" v. Motor Torpedo Boats or Middlesex "B".

Navy Ground No. 2
First Round.—C.B.A. "A" v. Per-

seus "B"; Recreio "A" v. R.A.O.C. "B".

Second Round.—Nomads "B" v. 7th A.A.; Birmingham "B" v. Kumaons "B"; Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex "A"; C. B. A. "A" or Perseus "B" v. Recreio "A" or R. A. O. C. "B".

In the semi-finals, the winners of Navy Ground No. 1 will meet the winners of C.B.A. Ground; the winners of Recreio Ground will meet winners of Navy Ground No. 2.

MID-WEEK MATCHES

St. Andrew's and Hongkong Hockey Club Teams Chosen
The following will represent St. Andrew's in the C.A.R. Clarke Cup hockey match against the "Y" Ladies on the "Y" Ground to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.
J. Hall; G. White and M. Roza; P. Pedgura; J. Wong and H. Reid; P. Wong; E. Churn; I. Gittins; A. Zimmer; and T. Jex.

Brown Cup Team
The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup hockey match against the "Y" on Friday, March 31, on the C.B.A. Ground at 5.15 p.m.
H. O'Sullivan; M. Newman and J. Broadbridge; P. Jeffreys; Y. Ho and M. Vessona; S. Arnold; V. Jex; M. Churn; S. Roberts and T. Jex.

U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28.
THE UNITED STATES EM-BASSY has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.

One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.

Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Sian in Shensi, Pingliang in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wanhsien in Szechuen.—Reuter.

Big Black-Out In Scotland

London, Mar. 28.
One hundred miles of the Scottish coast, from Berwick to Dundee, were blacked-out to-night in Scotland's biggest A.R.P. test.

Forty bombers were to have participated in the black-out, but they were grounded at the last minute by wind and rain.

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OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) nonferous—follicle—sedentary—seigneur—seismograph—ammoniated.



Loretta Young and Joel McCrea are starred in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Blind Mice," featuring Pauline Moore, David Niven, Stuart Erwin and Marjorie Weaver (left to right).

'ARGUS' MADE NEWSMEN GASP AT DEMONSTRATION

A YOUNG MAN named Nathaniel Copeland wandered into the "Telegraph" office after the Final Edition went to bed yesterday and sat on the corner of a desk to yarn about Australia.

During the course of his conversation he casually produced a pack of playing cards.

"Pick one," he challenged.

"I did."

"You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month!"

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure he hadn't glimpsed the lease I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-boiled reporters were gathering.

"When am I going on leave?" one challenged in writing on a folded strip of paper.

The visitor looked thoughtful.

"You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer Potsdam next month."

Which, of course, is perfectly true.

D.V.

It wasn't the end of his demonstration of the powers of telepathy. He gave the number on a one-dollar Hongkong bank-note, casually taken from the pocket of one of his audience.

He told another reporter his birthday.

A cable sub-editor, his mind haunted by the possibility of more and more crises (and, of course, more and more cables) asked hopefully in writing whether there would be a war in Europe.

NO WAR

The visitor was quite confident.

"You want to know if there'll be war in Europe?" he said, without touching or seeing the slip of paper.

"There won't. Germany and Italy realise now that Britain has re-armed too quickly for them. There will be peace in Europe."

All of which was very mystifying, but may have been explained by the fact that Nathaniel Copeland is really "Argus," a telepathist who has been demonstrating on the stage since he was six years of age.

In Australia, his name is an household word. In England he has made several appearances at Covent Garden and once gave a performance

Wounded Flow Into Shanghai Cotton Mill Turned Into Hospital

OHUNGKING, Mar. 28.
AS ALL hospitals in Shanghai for Japanese wounded soldiers have been filled to capacity, the Japanese have converted the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Hongkong into a hospital for wounded soldiers, a Shanghai message reveals.

As fighting has been renewed on the Yangtze front, many wounded Japanese soldiers have been carried to Shanghai for medical treatment.

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 28.
Donald Budge has deserted his old doubles partner, Gene Mako, to name Wayne Sabin as the best bet for No. 2 player on the next U.S. Davis Cup team.

Budge, here for a match with Ellsworth Vines in their tour to decide the national professional championship, voted to Sabin's clean sweep of Florida tournaments this winter as the basis for the slender Los Angeles netman's claims for Davis Cup consideration.

In the four tournaments he won in Florida, Sabin trounced Mako three times in the finals.

Budge and Vines agreed that Bobby Riggs of Chicago virtually was a cinch for the No. 1 post on the American Davis Cup team. Budge believes that Riggs was the best amateur in the United States and probably in the world.

Jack Bromwich, the Australian who swings with either hand and often both, was named by Budge as probably second to Riggs among the world's simon-pure netmen.

Budge and Vines mentioned Bryan (Bilsy) Grant of Atlanta and Frankie Parker of Springfield, N.J., as Davis Cup possibilities in the event Sabin's game does not hold up in spring tournaments.—United Press.

Propaganda Blasts At Belgians

Berlin, Mar. 28.
The new German broadcasting station at Cologne, which is broadcasting exclusively in the languages of neighbouring countries, to-day concentrated its attention on Belgium, where an election campaign is in progress.

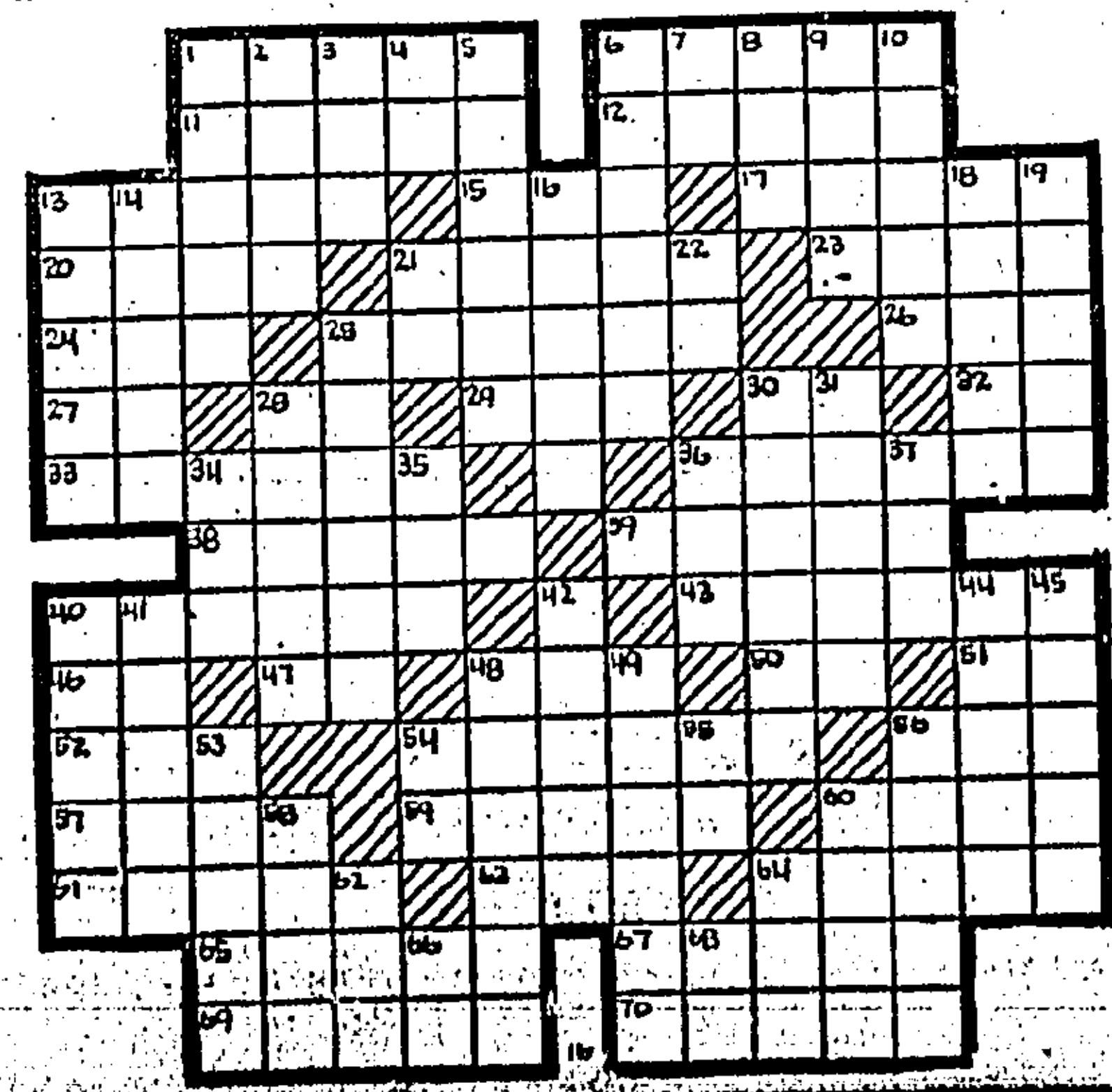
Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS
1—Short snail
2—Lovers of medieval German towns
3—Window jutted
4—Brew up utterly
5—Lowest or highest
6—Woke at steadily
7—Massive building
8—Unstable ground
9—And
10—Observed
11—Engineering degree
12—According to fact
13—Domestic animal
14—Boring
15—From French
16—Waste in trimming lumber
17—McKean—streets windies
18—With open mouth
19—Wash in cold water
20—God of ill-fated
21—Drive all through nose
22—Scales of iron
23—The "ghost"
24—Surname of Eric
25—And (French)
26—In accordance with
27—Torn sheet
28—China animal
29—Collected fur
30—Wetted state
31—Lie down
32—Nix's nickname
33—Indian soldier

DOWN
1—Pleasant strait
2—Rock
3—Position of body
4—In Belgium
5—In France
6—Named for political office
7—Historic
8—Jailed
9—Young man of 18
10—Apprentice
11—Met by appointment
12—Kind of tree
13—Put into effect
14—King and hero of Scotland
15—Killed exceedingly
16—Spurred wide
17—Radium
18—Keenly watchful
19—Family residence
20—Grown weary
21—Not only so, but more
22—Governor of Turkish town
23—Pipe above
24—Turbine



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Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

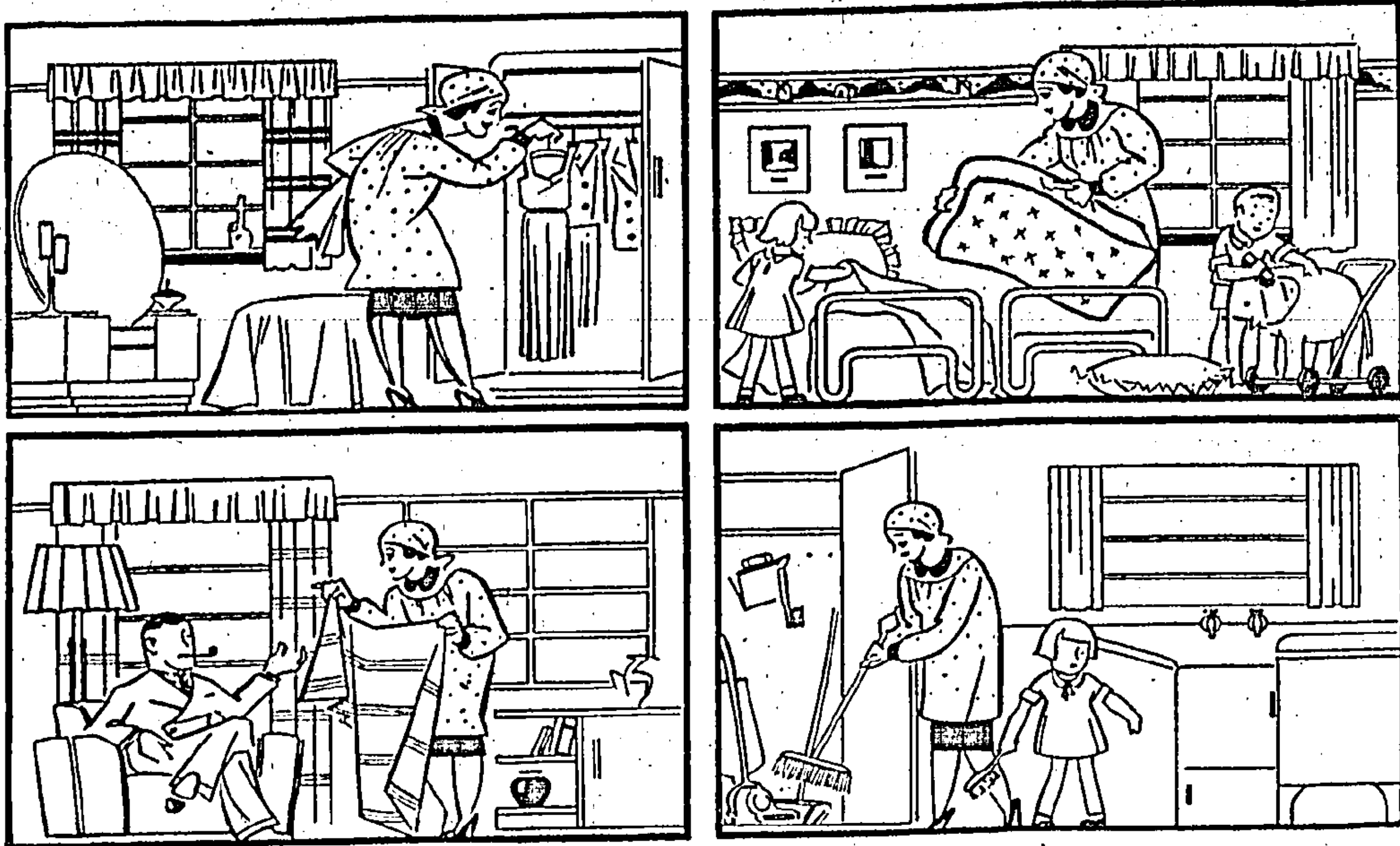
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Preparing for the Spring Clean



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- * Take note of mattresses and sagging springs which need attention.
- * Father will like to be consulted about the new curtains.
- * Most important! See that equipment is in good order.

LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrup of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the boggy it used to be.

It's as if, when all the polishing and painting, soap-sudsing and scrubbing have been done and everything is shining like a new pin, we have really pushed Old Man Winter back into his place and the sunshine has come into its own once more.

Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

little advance planning will save the house being turned upside down when the campaign starts.

Discomfort at home, even in a good cause, has a bad effect on tempers of husband and family. The homemaker herself gets less tired if she has everything worked out in advance and can take the spring clean in her stride.

Newly Wed

I was married last summer, so am new to housekeeping. Can you help me to work out a spring cleaning programme?—Coburny.

DECIDE first what decorating or repairs are necessary and get these done before you start on the spring clean. Also arrange for the sweep in good time.

You can save yourself trouble if you make out a list of repairs, and another of cleaning materials and any mops or dusters to be bought.

I spread the spring clean over a fortnight, leaving one weekday and Saturday and Sunday clear in each week for "breathing space."

This arrangement would enable you to do the three bedrooms, bath-room and landing in the first week; living room, dining-room, kitchen and hall in the second week. Work from the top of the house downwards.

Treatment for Tapestry
Is it possible to clean tapestry upholstery at home?—Motherwell.

HOT bran is good for general cleaning, but there is also a carpet shampoo which can be used on

Wear Blues, Oranges As New Colours

New York.
As a compliment to the New York World's Fair, French and English designs are playing up blues and oranges, drawn from the blue and orange of the New York State flag. The blue strikes a new colour note in fine mesh linens; orange is smart in mixed tweeds. Plaid and striped taffetas keyed up to orange are advanced for evening wear, these being given more importance than those keyed up to the blue.

Selection of just the right cut and intensity of contrasting colour to combine with a selected costume shade will be important this spring. An example this year is found in the wide variety of yellows which have been brought forward to use with black, and various shades of navy. As reported previously, slightly greenish tones of yellow are favoured to combine with black. But gold and the more subtle wheat yellow are used with the light navy which the exclusive costume houses are showing.

Returning from Europe with new ideas for spring, millinery representatives single out "cognac" as a new colour in straw. This shade is described as a golden cast of light brown. It is recommended for its novelty, and suggested for individual emphasis.

Skirts are still swivelling, flaring, flowing. If there was any suspicion that the world of American fashions was tired of the spreading skirt and hankered after a narrow line, current New York fashion upstagers dispel the idea. Fullness all around, voluminous rippling width, front fullness, back flares, loose pleats, gathers, and newest of all—side fullness. Wear fullness over the hips, either side, with enough fullness to widen the silhouette and leave the front and back flat. It's a formal fashion.

Lighter Woodwork

Doors and woodwork were stained with creosote when we first moved to this house, but we would like to have them painted this spring.—Portchaul.

If you give the woodwork an initial coat of good aluminium paint before the undercoating and finishing paint, there should be no risk of the creosote working through and spoiling the paint.

Pelmet v. Frills

I want to change from frills to pelmets with my new curtains. How do I fix them?—Farcham.

HAVE a pelmet board fitted to each window. It is a simple

wooden shelf with rounded or square corners, and the metal curtain runner is fixed to the underside.

The finished pelmet is tacked along the front edge of the board.

Spare Room

We want to turn our third bedroom into a spare room. It is furnished with oddments: mahogany wardrobe, cane armchair, oak washstand and divan. I have some green linoleum. Any suggestions?

START by distemper-walls and ceiling soft apricot pink and paint the woodwork pale apple green. Leave the wardrobe its present mahogany colour or enamel it to match the woodwork. Take the back of the washstand, cover the top with plywood and drape it with a chintz or cretonne petticoat for a dressing table.

Curtains would be of the same chintz, a tiny flower pattern on a cream ground. Enamel the chair apple green and have a green fitted cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.

Brush Hair For Beauty

THERE is beauty in your hair. Bring it out with vigorous brushing and proper care. Now that the up and down controversy appears settled, you can concentrate on the thing that really matters—the health and texture of your topknot. Whether your hair is shining and silky or stringy and dull depends on the attention you give it—not on your latest haircut or a recent permanent.

Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person it adorns, so if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and brushed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

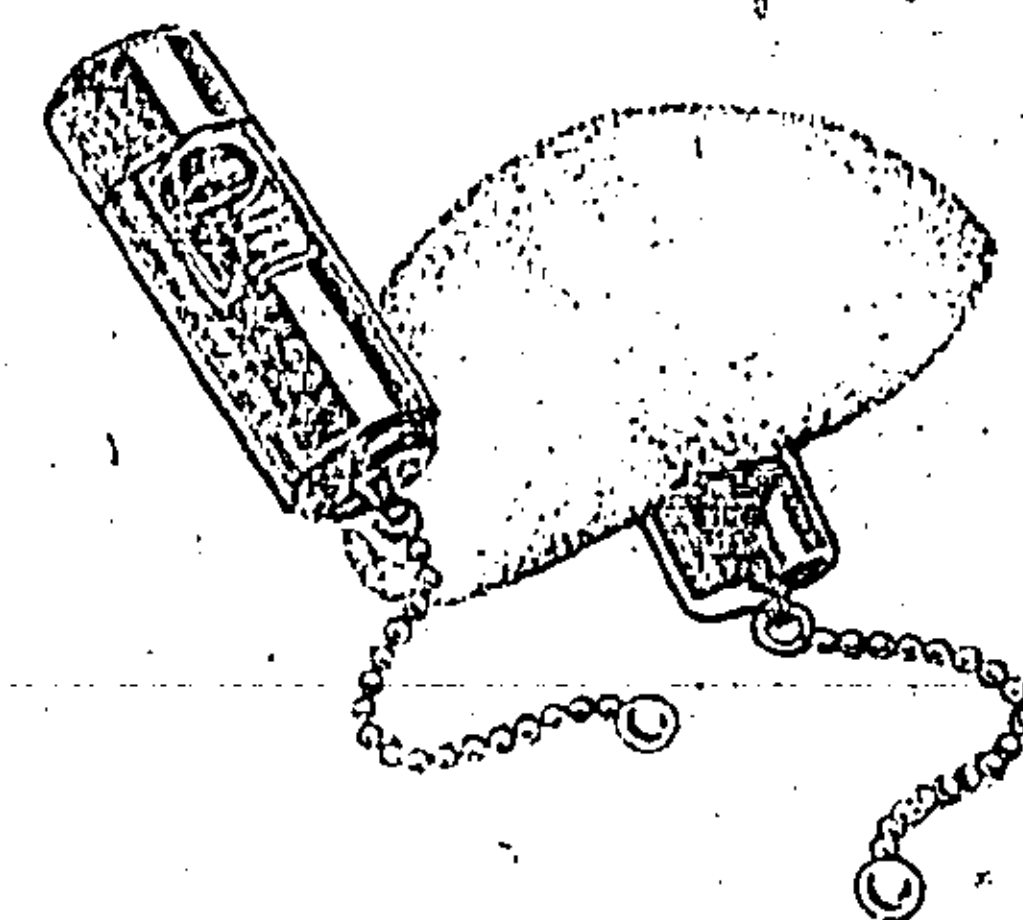
Check Your Health
Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, anemia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and ailing hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected you will see an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

In the majority of cases, however, sensible living, regular shampoos, an occasional oil treatment, and brushing each one with brisk upward strokes. After each third lightning-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by fluffing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to air the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curls upward or back in the direction they should go and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily
Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapsuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry the brush, bristles downward, on a Turkish towel.

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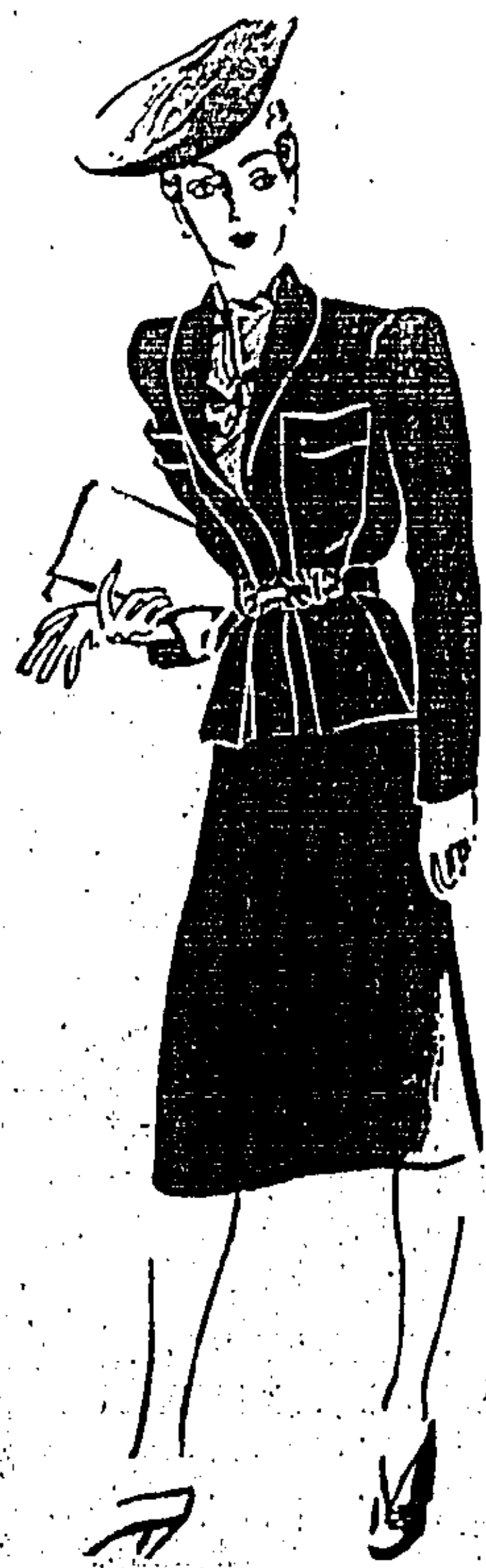
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Safely recovered from a recent serious illness, Senator William E. Borah, Republican, of Idaho, is back at work at his desk in the Senate Office building, Washington. He is dean of the Senate.



Miss Peggy LeBaron of New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft of Denver, Colo., wears this seersucker plaid check playsuit at Palm Beach, Fla. Blue is the dominant colour.



Ill with malaria and bleeding from a cut on the forehead, Alex Henshaw, 24, British airman, is given a hero's welcome at Gravesend, England, after a record-breaking flight to Cape Town and back in 4½ days.



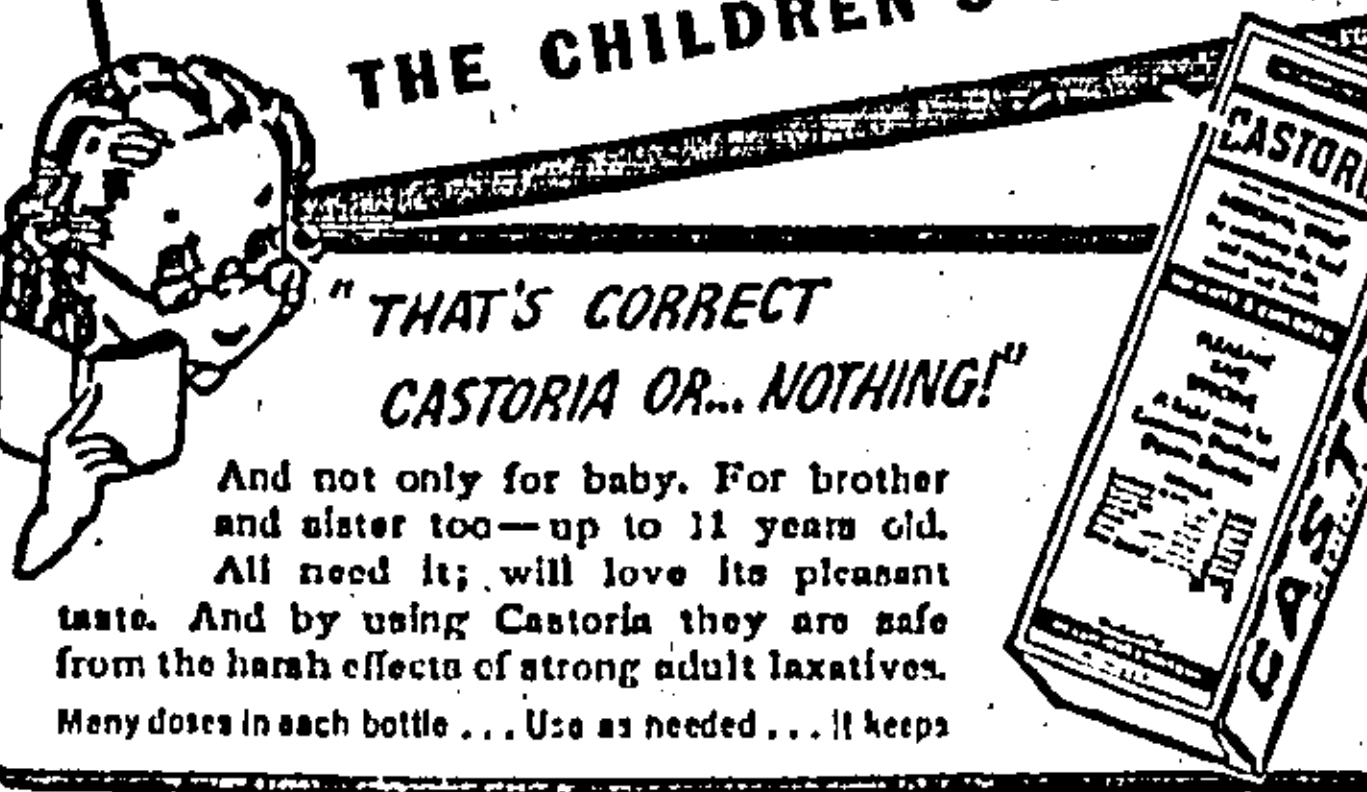
This rare picture shows General Francisco Franco, victorious insurgent commander in Spain, as a cadet at the Spanish Infantry Academy at Toledo. He was then about 14 years old.



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The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continues steady, but the turnover was on a restricted scale due to holders being reluctant to deal at quoted prices. Banks changed hands at \$1.385. Docks at \$10.60, and Cements at \$13½.

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Canton Insurance \$220
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OBITUARY

Another Vacancy In House of Commons

London, Mar. 28.
Another vacancy has occurred in the House of Commons by the death of Sir George Harvey, Conservative member for the Kennington Division of Lambeth from 1924 to 1929 and since 1931.
Sir George was 69 years old and had served for 12 years on the Holborn Borough Council. He was Mayor for four successive years up to 1924. He also served as member for Holborn on the London County Council. He was a director of the famous Cafe Royal off Piccadilly Circus.—*Reuter Special.*
There are now eight by-elections pending to fill vacancies in the House of Commons, seven of which are for Government seats.

STATE FUNERAL

Former Ambassador to Paris Buried in Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 28.
The Foreign Office accorded the late Mr. Yataro Sugimura, former Ambassador to France, a Ministry funeral to-day, conducted according to Buddhist rites at the Nishi Hongwanji Cathedral at Tokyo.
Ministers of State, high Government officials, foreign diplomatic representatives, including the Italian Ambassador, Signor Giacinto Auriti, and the French Ambassador, M. Arsene Henry, and a large number of notables attended the funeral.
The French Ambassador, in his memorial address, said the French Government and people share the profound grief of Japan in the loss of the distinguished Ambassador.—*Daniel.*

COUNCIL MEETING

Eight Bills for Second And Third Readings

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 23, 1939, be adopted.

The Attorney General is to move the second and third readings of:
"A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."
"A Bill to make better provision for the prevention and punishment of endeavours to seduce members of His Majesty's forces, or any member of any local Naval, Military or Police force, corps or reserve, from their duty, or from their allegiance to His Majesty."
"A Bill to amend the law relating to the professional qualifications required in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court and Full Court."
"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the registration of persons."
"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the taxation of Hydrocarbon Oils."
"A Bill to authorize an undertaking for the reclamation of an area of sea bed to abut the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier approaches and Connaught Road to the Eastward of such approaches between Queen Victoria Street and Pottinger Street and for construction of a pier extending seawards from such reclamation and also for the construction of a temporary pier between the said reclamation and Douglas Wharf."
"A Bill to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1930."
"A Bill to make provision for the Colony's yearly contributions to His Majesty's Government for defence."

LATE NEWS

German Envoy Sees Beck

Warsaw, Mar. 28.
The German Ambassador, Herr von Molke, saw Colonel Beck, Polish Foreign Minister, last night.
It is stated that the conversations did not introduce fresh elements to the situation, although Colonel Beck probably assured von Molke that the Polish Government had no intention of departing from the principles of the Polish-German Non-Aggression Pact of 1934 by joining any aggressive coalition against Germany.—*Reuter.*

Great Crisis Coming

WARSAW, Mar. 28.
All Poland sees a great crisis coming, declared General Skwarczynski in a speech at a meeting to-day of the Government Party. The meeting was attended by General Smigly-Rydz.
General Skwarczynski added: "We must work for peace and strive for good relations with our neighbours. We must not allow ourselves to be influenced by any pressure and must not become involved in any aggressive designs against our neighbours."
"For our frontiers, our honour and our independence we will fight for victory to the last breath."—*Reuter.*

"QUEEN BEE" PLANES UP OFF SINGAPORE

"Queen Bee" aircraft—pilotless planes controlled by wireless from the ground or ship—were used as targets for guns of warships of the East Indies and China Stations during exercises in waters east of Singapore.

These remarkable aircraft are part of the equipment of the Royal Air Force anti-aircraft co-operation unit stationed at Seletar.

The warships taking part in the exercises were the cruisers Kent, Suffolk, Norfolk and Manchester, the submarine depot ship Medway, the aircraft-carrier Eagle, the escort vessel Falmouth and five destroyers. The warships were in line ahead when they attempted to shoot down the "Queen Bee" flying overhead.

Similar exercises were carried out by the anti-aircraft defences of the Singapore fortress.

The pilotless planes controlled by wireless from the ground or sea, known officially as "Queen Bee" aircraft, have been used for several years as targets for anti-aircraft guns.

They can perform the most intricate evolutions within a radius of more than 10 miles of the controlling apparatus.

At the conclusion of the exercises, Medway and the destroyer Decoy came to Hongkong. Eight of the 11 visiting submarines have already returned to Hongkong.

The four destroyers Duncan, Diamond, Duchess and Delight have also returned to Hongkong.

Other departures will be as follows: To-morrow—Kent, Suffolk, Falmouth leave for Hongkong. Apr. 12—Eagle and Decoy leave on a cruise, returning to Singapore later in the month.

HEALTH BULLETINS

Two cases each of Diphtheria and Typhoid, 30 of Tuberculosis, 11 of Measles, one of Chicken-pox, and four of Meningitis, were reported on Monday.

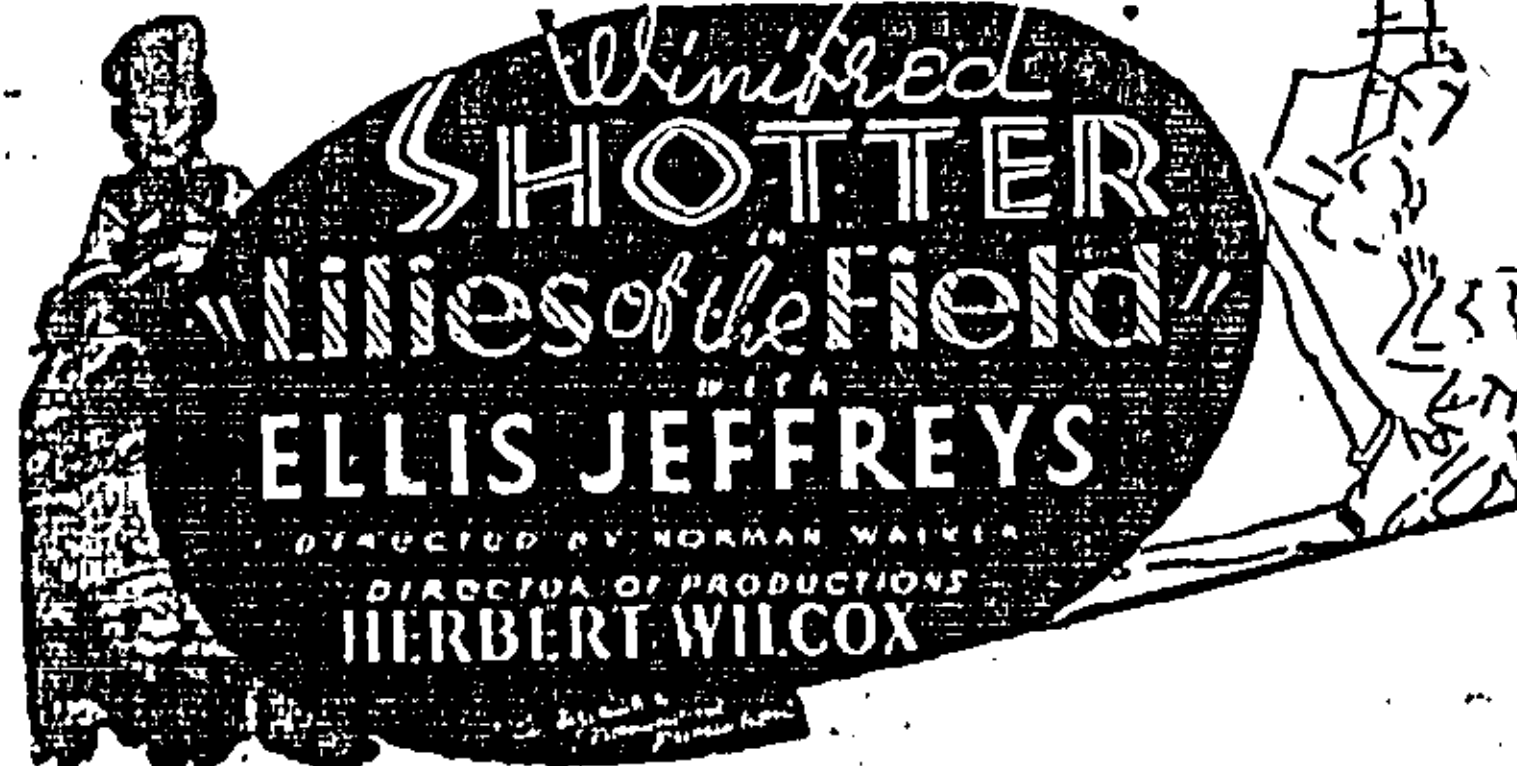
The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Six cases of Small-pox with seven deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with five deaths, 18 of Typhoid with five deaths, 65 of Measles with 20 deaths, six of Chicken-pox with one death, 29 of Meningitis with 10 deaths, 10 of Dysentery with five deaths, one of Puerperal Fever, and 133 of Tuberculosis with 92 deaths.

MEDICAL REGISTER

The name of Dr. Chung-ching Wang, a graduate of Edinburgh University, has been added to the local register of medical practitioners. Dr. Wang practised in the Colony some years ago.

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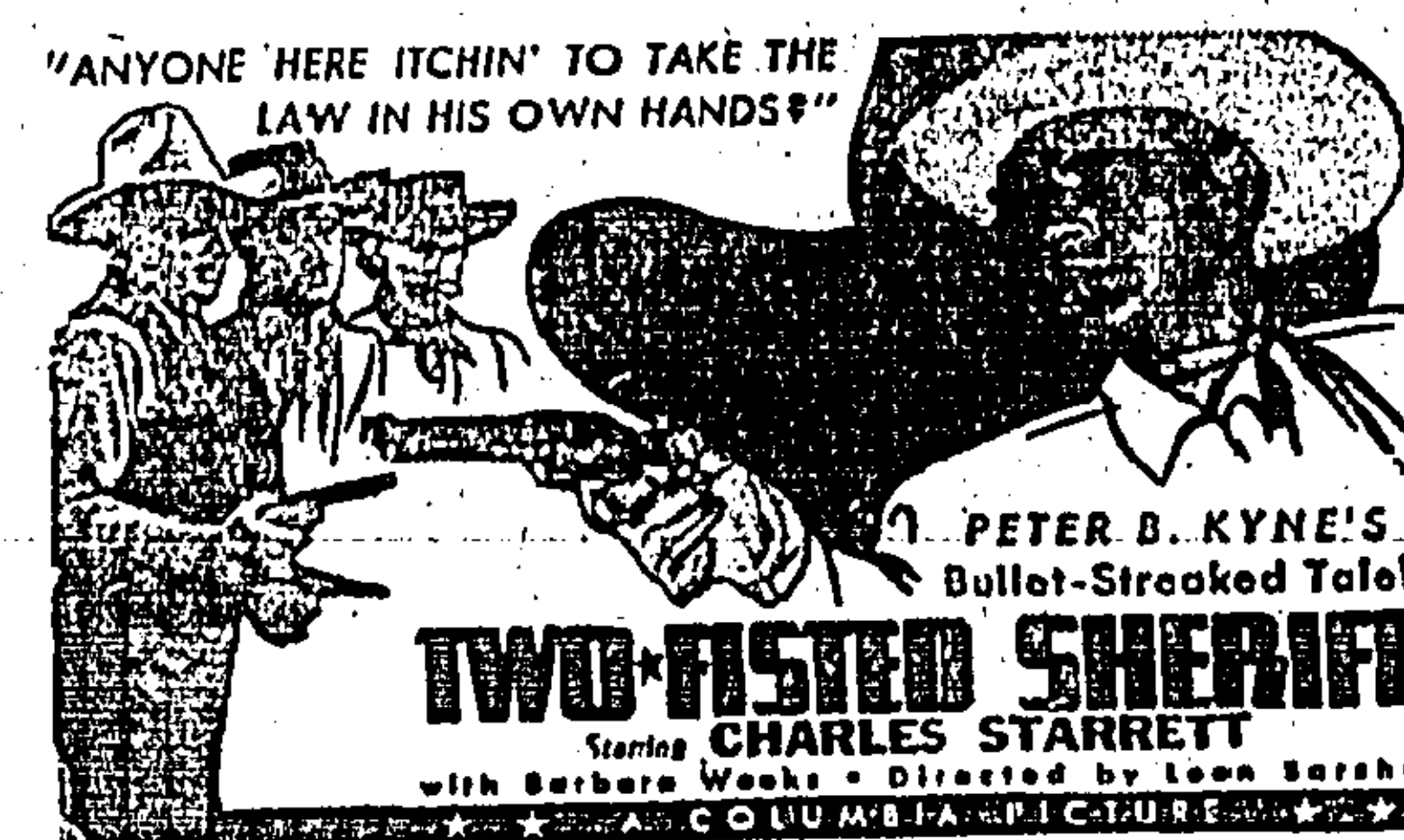
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